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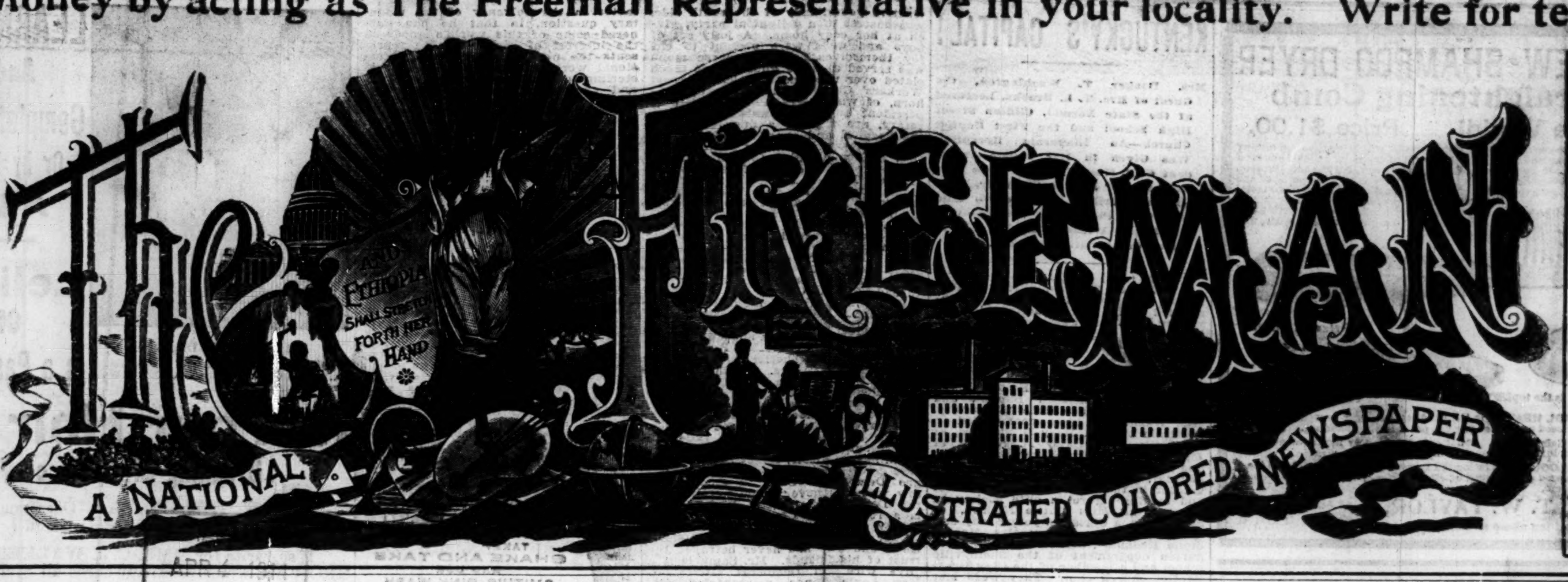
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NEWS OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL!

Bottom Drops Out of Attempt to Start a Fight on Head of Washington's Colored Schools

TEACHERS ORGANIZE TO ADVANCE WELFARE!

Assistant Superintendent Bruce Enjoys the Fullest Confidence of School Authorities and the Public at Large—Has Made Brilliant Record as Administrator and Educator—Leading Southern Educator Studies Methods in Schools—The "Sun" has Risen—False Impressions Corrected—Miscellaneous Notes.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

(Bureau of The Freeman, 1337 Wallach Place, N. W., Washington, D. C.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The attempt on the part of a few disgruntled individuals to stir up strife in the public schools of this city has resulted in ignominious failure. The people of the community have the fullest confidence in the honesty, integrity and administrative ability of Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conkling Bruce and are standing by him with a degree of unanimity that speaks well for their judgment and high regard for the institutions that he is so admirably directing. They know the value of peace in the upbuilding of popular education and are determined that there shall be peace, no matter how greatly turmoil may be to the advantage of those who thrive upon agitation and general unrest.

The excuse that Mr. Bruce had enforced a system by which the grades beyond the fourth should be restricted to college graduates has been wiped away. Mr. Bruce is for no such plan and made it plain to the meeting of the Teachers' Association that he would not make any recommendation looking to the establishment of a so-called "dead line" to the advancement of any teacher entitled to promotion. Mr. Bruce's unequivocal endorsement of the policy of the teachers in organizing themselves into an association took another prop from under the cabal of disturbers, who had taken keen delight in making it appear that Mr. Bruce and the Teachers' Association were at loggerheads. The Assistant Superintendent now has for consultation and advice a definite body qualified to speak officially for the nearly 600 teachers of the colored schools, and when anything of consequence needs to be considered the matter can be handled in a shape that will bring about a complete understanding between the school authorities and the teaching corps. This is a step forward and Mr. Bruce is in perfect accord with it. The "trouble" in the schools that is being so assiduously advertised in certain quarters is a figment of a diseased imagination, existing only on paper. The "man of straw" has fallen of its own weight, and there 's no more to it.

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Mr. Bruce Not "The Sage of the Potomac."

Mr. Bruce authorizes your correspondent to say, with all the emphasis at his command, that he is NOT "The Sage of the Potomac," a writer of a lot of drivel for a local paper, who has for the past two or three years made a specialty of "knocking" various men and women of the community who have for one reason or another incurred his ill will. Mr. Bruce is among the number, and he has been lampooned in season and out of season, without a shadow of justification for such abuse. The anonymous attacks, of course, have done Mr. Bruce no real harm, annoying as such a campaign of villification may be. On the contrary, they have done him good, for many who might otherwise have been inclined to offer criticism here and there have been drawn to Mr. Bruce's support, because of their disapproval of the underhand methods of the coterie known as "The Blackhanders," of which crowd the "Sage" is the chief fugleman. The allegation, made and repeated by the Washington correspondent of a New York paper, that Mr. Bruce is "The Sage," is too ridiculous for a moment's consideration, in view of the fact that the "Sage" articles have been saturated for the past few years with misrepresentation and abuse of Mr. Bruce's administration. Does it appear reasonable that a sane man would hold himself up to the ridicule and anathema of the public? It is the general opinion here that the author of the Washington letters to the New York paper and the writer of "The Sage" articles are one and the same individual, and that the whole thing is a gigantic scheme to discredit Mr. Bruce's management of the Washington schools and to displace him for some one more pliable to the will of influences that can not now have their way in the matter of appointments, promotions and administrative policy in general. Mr. Bruce has the confidence and esteem of all the people worth while, and he is as solid as the Rock of Gibraltar with Superintendent Thurston and the Board of Education. He is loyally supported by his teaching force. The scheme of the Black-Handers will not work, and it is understood that the papers will hereafter decline to publish communications so manifestly unjust to an official who has brought the educational system of the nation's capital to so lofty a standard as Mr. Bruce has done. Mr. Bruce is NOT "The Sage of the Potomac," and declares he has never contributed a line to that anonymous department, nor has he written or inspired any of the editorial endorsements that have found place in the columns of a local sheet, as intimated by the "wildcat" correspondent of the out-of-town paper.

"Here endeth the first lesson."

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The Colored Teachers' Association.

The Association of Teachers in the Colored Schools of the District of Columbia has been organized, with three hundred and fifty members. The object is to promote the welfare of the teaching corps, to push a plan for retirement on pensions, to provide a system of self-helpfulness in cases of sickness or death, and to bring about a spirit of co-operation between the school authorities and the staff of instructors. The officers are as follows: President, R. A. Gillem; vice-president, Miss Mary Cromwell; recording secretary, Miss Helen Moore; corresponding secretary, Miss Julia H. Smith; treasurer, Miss Mildred Gibbs; executive committee, R. A. Gillem (chairman ex officio), Miss Mary L. Powell, Eugene Clark, Miss Euadora Mitchell, Mrs. Carrie Syphax Watson, Miss Jessie Fauset and Mr. Charles M. Thomas. These ladies and gentlemen represent all of the departments of the schools and are all in hearty accord with the administration of Mr. Bruce. The association starts out with the best wishes of all connected with the school system.

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"The Sun" Rises in Washington.

"The Washington Sun" has made its appearance in this city. It is a neat, clean and well-edited sheet of six pages, full of news and opinion of a wholesome and uplifting character, and carries at its masthead the inspiring banner, "The Unbridled Servant of the People." The Sun looks healthy, as its advertising pages are well stocked with live announcements, and it seems destined for a long life. It is being received with open arms and appears to have come to really fill that "long-felt want" of which Washingtonians have heard so much. Mr. J. Finley Wilson, known as the best advertising man in the country, and who has had large experience in the newspaper business in metropolitan cities, is editor and business manager. The Sun Publishing Company stands sponsor for the new arrival. This corporation was founded as the result of the activities and organizing genius of Dr. Julia P. H. Coleman, president of the Hair-Vim Chemical Company and a leader in the work of the local branch of the National Negro Business League. The editorial policy of The Sun is controlled solely by Mr. Wilson and Dr. Coleman, which is in itself a guarantee that the tone of the paper will be lofty and public-spirited.

To correct an erroneous statement made by the Washington correspondent of a New York paper, it must be said that R. W. Thompson has no official connection with The Sun and is in no manner responsible for its utterances or policy. The paper, in common with others, will use such of the news service of the Thompson National News Bureau as it may deem suitable, but beyond this the writer has no definite relations with the new publication. It has our best wishes, however, and it is the sincere hope of the people that it will become one of the established institutions of the capital. If the masses are really in earnest about their demand for a "clean" paper in Washington, they will rally enthusiastically to the support of The Sun. There is ample room in a city of 100,000 Negroes for more than one racial spokesman, and it ought not to be difficult for The Sun to find its field and fill it to the utmost.

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Work to Begin on the New Colored High School.

According to the announcement from the office of the Municipal Architect and the District Commissioners, work will begin on the new colored high school next fall. The plans for the structure have been practically completed. A total expenditure of $150,000 will be available when the work starts. Little excavation is called for in connection with the building and it is expected that it can be completed in about sixteen months, making it ready for occupancy at the opening of the school year of 1916. The design is of the old English or Tudor style of architecture, which has become popular for academic and collegiate buildings. Every modern feature will be installed, and there will be an assembly hall seating 1,200. The school will accommodate not less than 1,400 students. The building will have a frontage of 401 feet on First street and extend back over 100 feet. It is to be almost an exact reproduction of Hampton Court, which Cardinal Wolsey started in England in 1514. The erection of this magnificent temple of learning is a crowning triumph for the Bruce administration.

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The News in a Nutshell.

Bishop Alexander Walters will be here on the first Sunday in May.

The Douglass Home fund languishes. The people want more light on the subject before untying their pursestrings.

Mr. Felix G. Cheatham has been promoted to a clerkship in the office of the Auditor for the Navy Department; salary, $900.

Congressman F. C. Stevens, of Minnesota, will lecture on the "Wonders of the Panama Canal" at the monthly meeting of the Mu-So-Lit Club next Friday evening. It will be ladies' night.

Miss Nannie H. Burroughs was greeted by a large audience Monday evening at the Y. M. C. A. to consider with her and the students of the National Training School for Girls the results of the Southern Sociological Congress, held recently at Atlanta, Ga.

The United States Supreme Court has not yet handed down its decision in the Maryland and Oklahoma cases, involving the "grandfather clause." A new question comes to the court on appeal from Minnesota, propounding the intricate question, "What is meant by a 'mixed-blood Indian'?" Upon the decision of this question rests the outcome of 1,000 suits brought by the government involving the taxation and sale of all allotments in the White Earth reservation in Minnesota.

Little stock, if any, is being taken in the so-called "National Negro Congress," called for May 5. The wiseacres say it is not yet the Negro's "move" in the political chess game.

Bishop Alfred Harding confirmed a class of eleven last Monday evening at St. Luke's P. E. Church.

Mr. Robert T. Murray is now associated in business with Barron Wilkins in New York City.

Mr. James W. Gray, the widely-known caterer, will not move from his present place next to the National Theater to 1004 E street, as contemplated. The limit in the number of cafes allowed to a square precludes the establishment of another in the locality mentioned. Gray will remain at the old stand.

U street is developing into the real colored business thoroughfare of the race in Washington.

The matter of Judge Robert H. Terrell's confirmation is still in abeyance, but it is expected to come up in a few days. The Judge and his friends are confident of ultimate success.

Messrs. H. A. Haynes and J. R. Fearing, late of the General Electric Company, have formed a partnership and embarked into business for themselves. With offices at their homes, 1917 Eleventh street and 2000 Third street northwest, they are building up a fine line of trade in electrical work, filling large contracts in setting up motors, installing lighting apparatus, repairing electrical machinery, etc. The Shadd residence, the Scott restaurant and other assignments for original electrical devices have been among their latest successes. Messrs. Haynes and Fearing are enterprising and reliable young men and merit the encouragement they are receiving.

Prof. W. G. Pearson, principal of the Whitted High School at Durham, N. C., was in the city a few weeks ago, visiting the schools of the capital for the purpose of studying methods of instruction in vogue here. He was shown many courtesies by Assistant Superintendent Bruce and the officials of the schools, and was deeply impressed with all he saw and heard. For curriculum and equipment Professor Pearson regards Washington as having the premier school system of the land. Professor Pearson is one of the foremost educators of the South and has built up at Durham an educational institution that ranks with the finest and most complete to be found below the Mason and Dixon line. While in this vicinity Professor Pearson made a flying trip to New York City.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL., NEWS.

Pilgrim Sisters Show Great Progress—News in General.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Eva T. Dean, Grandmother Superior of the Pilgrim Sisters of the Holy Cross of Indiana and jurisdiction, has started on her annual tour, visiting the various Temples. Her itinerary is as follows: Champaign, Ill., March 20; Century No. 5, March 23; Lafayette, Mary Alberta No. 1, April 6; Indianapolis, Zipporah No. 6, April 13-14; Ft. Wayne Star of Esther No. 4, April 15; Gary, Star of Bethlehem No. 3, April 17. This department of the Order of Pilgrim Knights has set as its slogan "500 new members in 1914," and Mrs. Dean feels quite confident of success. On the occasion of her visit to Indianapolis, a public meeting will be held and all are invited to come and hear the story of the wonderful organization. Mrs. Dean has the reputation of being a most forceful speaker, an energetic worker and her efforts are producing large results for this Order.

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Miss Minnie Brown entertained a few of her friends at a three-course luncheon Saturday afternoon to meet Miss Mattie Woods of Indianapolis. Covers were laid for six.

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Rev. Jackson W. Hill, Baptist minister, died at his home, 1305 West Hill street, Urbana, at 2:30 Wednesday morning, following an extended illness from tuberculosis. The decedent came to Urbana with his wife last October from Cleveland, O. He has been unable to preach for the last four years on account of ill health. His last charge was in Tennessee. Mr. Hill was born in North Carolina, about 34 years ago. His wife, who is pastry cook at the Y. M. C. A., survives. The remains were taken to Cleveland, O., for interment, leaving Urbana on the Big Four at 11:27 o'clock Thursday morning.

Mr. Green Bridgewater, of Danville, Ill., is in the city visiting his son, John Bridgewater, 512 N. Walnut street.

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The colored girls of the University of Illinois organized into a club Saturday, March 14, 1914. The name of the club is Delta Phi Eta. The election of officers resulted in the following choice: President, Vesta C. Lewis; vice-president, Martha S. Beck; secretary, Emma Ballinger; treasurer, Helen Stevens; pianist, Louise Lewis; soloist, Francis Ellis. The membership includes Francis I. Ellis, Altamont, Ill.; Martha S. Beck, Indianapolis, Ind.; Emma Ballinger, Upper Alton, Ill.; Edyth Steven, Helen Stevens, Ivorine McAlister, St. Louis, Mo.; Louise and Vesta C. Lewis, Cairo, Ill. The club met Saturday, March 28, 1914, at the call of Miss Beck and Miss McAlister. After the club transacted its business, a very interesting program was rendered.

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The Champaign Model's baseball club opens for the season with the following officers: L. R. Breedlove, manager; Harold Gray, captain; Horace Long, assistant manager; Horace Elliott, treasurer, and John Miller, secretary. Under the supervision of these officers there is no reason why this season of ball should not be a success for the Champaign Models.

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Miss Gertrude A. Mahorney, who is a teacher in the public schools of Indianapolis, Ind., visited her uncle, Mr. Edward Gray, 605 N. Poplar street, and her cousin, Mrs. E. H. Scott, 904 W. Stoughton street, Urbana, for three days last week.

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Walter Davis, B. E. Payne, Harry Holmes, Woodie Mathews, and Neal Meclen, commandery Knights Templar, attended the funeral of Mr. George Nichols in Danville last week. Mr. Nichols was a member of the Champaign Commandery No. 15, Knights Templar.

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Bethel Church.

"The Final Salvation of Cristian," was the theme of the morning sermon while the subject Sunday evening was "Look and Live." More than ninety persons attended Sunday school Sunday.

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Salem Baptist Church.

Rev. D. C. Jones conducted services Sunday morning and evening because the pastor, Rev. J. M. Owens, had not returned from Cleveland, O., where he went with Mrs. J. W. Hill with the remains of her husband. In the morning he preached on the text, "Ye must be born again." The Deacons gave a program Monday evening. The program: Instrumental solo, Miss Ollie Brown; vocal solo, Irvin Jones; instrumental solo, Mrs. Nellie Scott; recitation, Miss Beatrice Ervin; vocal solo, Mrs. E. T. Dean; vocal solo, Miss Allie Moor; music by quartet composed of Miss Sadie Green, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cameron and Poindexter Fuller; paper by B. E. Payne; address by Mr. W. J. Prince the eminent orator of the University of Illinois, having the honor of serving one season on the debating team of the university.

JACKSON, TENN.

Professor J. E. McGirt Gives a Recital.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Maria Thomas has returned home after a four months' stay in Chicago with her nephew and is very ill at her home on Ellison st.----Rev. T. G. Hadden, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, was unable to fill his appointment at Henderson last Sunday on account of a severe pain in his side. This church (Bethel) is getting on fine under his leadership.----Mr. and Mrs. Lee Whitlow have returned from Greenfield, where they went to attend burial of Mrs. Whitlow's brother, Mr. Robt. Malone, who died suddenly while getting off of the train at that place. Mrs. Whitlow's mother and sister, Mrs. Malone and Miss Tiny, also attended the funeral.----Mrs. Eva B. Weddle has recovered from a recent attack of illness.----Mr. Abner Deberry is out again after being ill about two weeks.----Mrs. Gussie Williamson and her sister, Mrs. Lena Williams, attended the funeral of Mr. Robt. Malone, at Greenfield, last Tuesday.----A great revival is in progress at Berean Baptist church, cor. Royal and College sts. Rev. Jones, of Memphis, is preaching some excellent sermons each night. While in the city he is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, on Madison st.----Mr. Windell W. Maddox, who has been attending Lane College, left for Hickman, Ky., last week.----Rev. White, of Dyersburg, has been preaching some helpful sermons during convocation.----Rev. Jesse West has been given a charge at Dyersburg. It is said it is quite a large church.----Rev. R. L. Jones with his wife and four adopted daughters, returned to their home in Nashville, Friday, after attending convocation for several days.----Prof. J. E. McGirt, of Philadelphia, Pa., will give a poetic and dramatic recital at Bethel A. M. E. church Friday night, April 3d. He comes to us well recommended. His work has brought praise from the leading cities and papers of the States. Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Margaret Sangster, Thos. Nelson Page, Booker T. Washington and others of as much importance indorse him as the most wonderful poet, playwright, impersonator, dialect and dramatic reader in the country. Admission, 25 cents adults; 15 cents for children.----The Y. M. C. A. met at the usual hour Sunday, March 22d. The attendance was very pleasing to all interested. A very pointed and beneficial talk was given by Rev. F. Moody. The program committee, of which Mr. W. H Brown is chairman, is planning to give us splendid programs each Sunday. Mr. Jas. Brown, president.----Mr. Jas Bacon, venerable head waiter of Southern Hotel, is one of the prime promoters of the Y. M. C. A. in this city, in fact Mr. Bacon interests himself in every movement when he can be of aid to the young men and boys of the community. He especially deserves praise for his liberality in all worthy causes.----Miss Voro Kolin will honor Miss Ollie Beverly this afternoon with a "hosiery shower" at the residence of Mrs. Francis Wilks.----One of the saddest deaths took place here recently in the person of Mrs. Martha Miller, the mother of Mrs Winthrop Blanchett, at the home of her daughter on Hunt st. Mrs. Miller had been sick for some time and bore her illness with great fortitude. She had attained a ripe age, was a lovable character, a true Christian, always cheerful and affectionate and ready to render comfort wherever she could. Funeral services were conducted at Liberty C. M. E. church, of which she had been a member for a long time, by Rev. H. McKinney.----News was received here Thursday of the death of Mr. Frank Wilson, Wednesday morning at four o'clock, at his home, two miles west of Bemis. He was highly respected and belonged to one of the pioneer families of this section, being the son of the late Billy Wilson. He had been ill only a few days with pneumonia. He leaves a wife and several children.----A death that shocked the entire city was that of Enid Sharp, the eleven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sharp. Little Enid had been quite ill, but her death was wholly unexpected. She was loved by all who knew her and many expressions of sorrow were heard over the city. She was buried from the house Tuesday evening, March 17th. She leaves mother, father, two sisters and one brother to mourn for her.----Mrs. Melissa Neville was found early yesterday morning on Laconte st., where she had been shot through the brain and dragged the night before by her husband, Chas. Neville. She was sent to town in an ambulance and placed in an undertaker establishment, where her body was viewed by hundreds. Her husband is described as being about 27 years of age, rather heavy in frame very erect in stature, brown skinned and wears a mustache.----Charlie Bell Jr., agent and reporter for Freeman, 520 Lancaster st.

NEWS OF BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Mrs. Booker T. Washington Was Here On the 17th Inst.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee Institute, Ala., lectured to a large and apprepciative audience at the A. M. E. church in our city last Tuesday evening the 17th, inst., on the subject of "Colored Women's Federation." Not only was her talk well taken, but her visit to our city was much enjoyed by the people of our city, who regretted that she could not spend more time with us. She gave many reasons and made it very plain why the race loving women of our race should be well organized for the betterment of the race. Preceding Mrs. Washington's lecture talks were made by Rev. H. D. Carpenter, Rev. Mr. Hill, Dr. O. D. Porter and Miss Dr. South. Miss South is a white lady physician of our city and was very frank in regard to the duty of the races toward each other. She said the colored and white races could not be separated and as good citizens one race was duty bound to help the other when such was deserving. In addition to the above the writer would like to call attention to the fact that it is very essential that the thrifty and more thoughtful men of our race should be well organized for the betterment of the race. Taking a broad view of the general situation in the South in regard to the colored race, the creditable element have many sympathizing friends among the better class of white people regardless of politics, who love to see the race progressive, and who would not have us spend our earnings worthlessly. The worst enemies are the craving, grafting set or element, who can prejudice the more ignorant and unfortunate of the race and get their time and influence through envy, and otherwise to help destroy the credit and impede the progress of the thrifty enterprising and business element of the race—carried out through cunning schemes—which like a mob law, would finally be tried on white and colored alike. The league and clubs should be revived to understand in general if nothing more could be accomplished, but more can be for "in union there is strength."

THE THREE NIGHTS' FAIR

A Grand Success, Conducted by the B. Y. P. U. for Benefit of the Tabernacle Institutional Church.

(By Silas C. Elliott.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The grand three nights' fair under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U. at Tabernacle Baptist church, March 16, 17 and 18, was quite a success, bringing out large crowds each night. Quite a neat little sum of money was realized. The proceeds of the entertainment was for the benefit of Tabernacle Institutional church, the cornerstone of which was laid Sunday, March 15th. Some of Augusta's best talent taking part in the exercises. Monday night, March 16th, the teachers of the city schools rendered a most excellent program. Tuesday night, 17th, military night, a grand display drill by Damon Co. A, the crack Georgia company of the U. R. K. of P. Jno. L. Perkins, Capt. Wednesday night a darma, "Mrs. Willis's Will," was presented, and was very laughable indeed. T. G. Walker, manager. There was a grand social dance at the Stws Hall Monday evening, March 16th, given by the Cosmopolitan Pleasure Club. Jas. Fields, Pres. Punch was erved. The ladies all had a pleasant time. Music by the Elite Orchestra. Silas C. Elliott, leader. C. U. Underwood, manager.----Through the kindness of Mr. S. X. Floyd, principal of Mange St. School, a very pleasant program was enjoyed by the teachers and pupils of Mange St. School, at the school building, Friday, March 20th, at 1:00 o'clock. The entertainment, under the direction of Miss Claudia B. Whitmore, was given for the benefit of Walker Baptist Institute, one of the private schools of the city. The program was as follows: Singing, Mange St. School; reading, Miss Leona Olive; quartet, Walker Baptist Institute; reading, Miss Marietta James; cornet solo, Mr. G. W. Logan; duet, Misses Eula nda Claudia Whitmore; reading, Mr. S. X. Floyd; solo, Miss Annie Eichelberger; cornet solo, Mr. Silas C. Elliott; reading, Dr. T. W. Josey; quartet, Walker Baptist Institute. The program was excellently rendered, and all went away feeling better. Not only from having litened to the splendid program, but because we aided a charitable purpose as well.

TULSA, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Dr. Bryant, of Oklahoma City, was in the city a few days last week on business.----The Tulsa theaters are doing a rushing business. The Gem theater, with their new stage manager, Stump Nichols, is putting on some good shows. They have with them this week Louise Johnson and Miss Odesie, Kid Bumpsky and Carl Whalley. The Peoples theater, Jes Brown, manager. All new people: Bates & Bates, Briggs & Briggs, Rose & Williams, and Maning & Maning, Whitman & Whitman.----Billy McClain, formerly of the Peoples theater, left for Oklahoma City, where he has opened up a new theater, and has taken with him Madam Rajah and others.----Dr. Bridewater, Jim Cherry and Caver, of the Caver Cleaner & Dye Works, has built three nice residences on North Elgin. North Elgin is almost owned entirely by the colored people.----Evertt Goodwin has returned from his home, Pittsburg, Kans.----Wesley Williams, proprietor of the Williams' three story brick building on North Greenwood, has put in a tile floor which makes this building the best owned by colored in the state. Just across on the other corner, W. H. Wood is going to build another two story brick at once.----Prof. S. D. McCrea, of Greenwood, Miss., spent a few days in the city.----Mr. Sam Jordan, of Guthrie, Okla., spent a few days in among friends in the city.----Miss Iloise Hutchins accompanied by her friend, Miss Maud Brantley, are home from Chicago, Ill.----The state medical association meets in Tulsa in May and the Dr.s are already preparing and will have one recordbreaker for the state.----The Ladies' Club met last Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Holderness. The refreshments were served in the dining room. The table centerpiece was a decoration of white carnations for a prize ending with a contest of two couple tied up.

DO YOU WANT TO GO TO COLLEGE?

A Golden Opportunity for Some Ambitious Young Man or Woman.

There are hundreds, yes thousands of young men and women who are anxious to widen their knowledge and better equip themselves for the world's work through a college education. The hindering obstacle is lack of finance. This cause being removed there is but little reason, if any, to prevent them from entering college. The Freeman Publishing Company is going to give some young man or woman an opportunity to enter college next fall by giving him or her a year's scholarship fee. The institutions to which this scholarship is acceptable are indicated on the editorial page of this issue. We call your attention to read this announcement.

THE FUNERAL OF MR. C. W. TAPSICO AT CINCINNATI, O.

The funeral of Mr. C. W. Tapsico was largely attended in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 19th, at Allen Temple church. Mr. Tapsico has lived in Cincinnati over 42 years, being a charter member of the Messiah Lodge and a 32d Mason. Mr. Tapsico was known among so many who attended B. M. C. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Jesie Tapsico Irvin and two siters to mourn their loss.

Do you know a young man or woman who wants to go to college next fall? If so, tell him or her of our scholarship contest. See page 4.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION!

Miss Mabelle Smith, a Chicago Girl, in Contest at Indianapolis, Has Excellent Chance to Win the Prize.

MARY RAY DAY AT THE POMPEI CABARET

Amateur Minstrel to be Given at Oakland Music Hall on Easter Monday Night—Dental Society Celebrates Birthday Anniversary—Millinery Opening on West Side—Colonel B. F. Moseley to be a Candidate for Municipal Judge—Dr. H. R. Smith to Visit Europe—Young Men to Entertain Their Club.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

Freeman Bureau, 3000 South State St., Phone, Douglass 8058, Automatic 75-233.

CHICAGO, April 1.—The colored women of Chicago are determined to have a Woman's Christian Association. Many of the leading race women are holding meetings, getting ready for a monster mass meeting in the interest of the new organization. These women have been very active in all things social and political and now they want a home of their own. They claim that when the campaign was on for the Wabash avenue association, they did everything possible toward its success, and now they want the men to help them. There are more than fifty clubs in the city which meet at the homes of different members, and if they would come together there is a possibility for them to have an association. They claim that if they can have Y. W. C. A.'s in other cities, Chicago above all must have one. One of the leading members in the movement is Mrs. J. T. Jeniver, wife of Dr. Jeniver, of the great A. M. E. Church.

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Millinery Opening a Big Success.

Madame Marie Burton Hyram, and Miss Gaines were the two models at the spring and summer opening of Miss Rosa Morgan last week at 3709 State street. Beautiful flowers and ferns and the season's most beautiful hats made the shop look a veritable paradise. Madame Hyram wore a wig that is now in vogue and exhibited the most smart and chic hats. Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights there was music to entertain the hundreds of people that came to see the styles direct from Paris and New York. On Thursday of this week Miss Morgan will have an opening of her West Side store, 2305 Lake street.

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Amateur Minstrel Company.

"We Work for Old Folks" is the motto of the Amateur Minstrel Company. They will give their annual minstrel on Easter Monday night at Oakland Music Hall, Fortieth street and Cottage Grove avenue. Mr. Charles Washington, the secretary, is working harder this year than ever to make the show and dance the most successful in the history of the organization. President Waring, the interlocutor, and Mr. Gowan, the musical director, are responsible for the success of the practices thus far. It's a case of get your tickets at once, as it will be hard to get standing room. Purchase a ticket and help the old folks.

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Miss Mabel Smith in the Contest.

Miss Mabel Smith, daughter of Mrs. Henry S. Smith, of Chicago, Ill., is one of the contestants to enter the popularity contest in the city of Indianapolis, Ind., for the benefit of Lincoln Hospital, and the contestant receiving the largest number of votes will be crowned queen and will be awarded a handsome diamond. While Miss Smith is a graduate of Wendel Philips high school and the Bryant & Stratton Business College of this city, she is now at Indianapolis, Ind., a stenographer for The Freeman. She has been in Indianapolis over a year and has made a large circle of friends. In order to make an effort to win the honor and to help the much needed institution, she decided to enter the race. She is a niece of Mr. Elwood C. Knox, of The Freeman, and the many friends of Mr. Knox and Miss Smith will be glad to receive votes from this city or any other part of the United States. Each vote costs 5 cents and the ticket is received and name written upon it and returned to Miss Smith, whose address is at The Freeman. All Chicagoans would be glad to learn of Miss Smith's success. Give her a vote. The contest closes April 11.

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Griffin's Aldermanic Candidacy.

The colored aldermanic candidate is making great headway. Strong efforts are being put forth by the leading citizens to stem the tide of misrepresentation which is being made at the behest of the paid Republican leaders, whose only ambition is to save their own political scalp. The ministry of the entire city are exerting and centering their influence as never before in their efforts to elect the colored candidate. The colored papers are exerting a wholesome influence to the end that success will be attained. The Illinois Idea stands out among the city papers in making a terrific fight on the "bosses." The cartoon of last issue in which is described the Negro Republican leaders fighting among themselves for leadership vividly portrays the situation as it really exists. The article in the previous issue of the Idea entitled "The New Political Awakening of the Negro," by Mr. A. N. Fields, created favorable comment and evidenced a broad political view. Mr. Griffin's chances of election are equal to any candidate now in the field if the Negro will but be true to himself.

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Moseley May Run for Judge.

The colored leaders in the Progressive party are getting busy in view of the fact that the National Progressive headquarters are soon to be open. Considerable talk is going the rounds among the leaders to the effect that Col. B. F. Moseley, one of our leading attorneys of the city, will be put forward by the Progressive party as a candidate for one of the vacancies in the ensuing election on the municipal court bench. He is the one colored man, by reason of his clean and wholesome life, popularity and acknowledged legal ability, against whom no question could be raised as to his fitness for the place.

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Dr. H. Reginald Smith Goes Abroad.

Dr. H. Reginald Smith, a graduate of Howard Medical University and Fordham University, New York City, will leave on or about April 19 for New York City, from which point he will sail for London, England, there to take a special course in the Royal Eye Hospital of the University of London. Dr. Smith, while young in the profession, is considered, by reason of his advanced studies, as being one of the foremost physicians and surgeons in the West. His medical activities have been numerous and his success remarkable. It speaks well for the profession in that they are permitting their professional eyes to touch new spheres of advanced study in foreign countries. His many friends wish him success, prosperity and good health in his quest of a larger field for medical study and research. Dr. Smith is attending physician on eye, ear, nose and throat at Provident Hospital.

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Miss Reggie Briscoe Here.

Miss "Reggie" Briscoe, of Altoona, Pa., is in the city, the guest of Miss Elizabeth Wallace, 3120 Wabash avenue. Miss Briscoe is a very charming little girl, and will be royally entertained while here. She will remain several weeks, and there is some probability that she will be accompanied to her home by Miss Wallace.

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Mrs. L. B. Anson and Daughter Visit City.

Mrs. L. B. Anson and daughter, Miss Gale Anson, of Bloomington, Ill., were in the city last week, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Claxton, of 25 East Twenty-eighth street. Mrs. Claxton, who is a charming hostess, saw that the visitors were beautifully entertained.

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Drs. Marshall and McDowell Move.

Drs. Marshall and McDowell, two well-known physicians and surgeons, moved this week from their old stand at Thirty-first and State streets to Thirty-fifth and State streets, to the second floor of the States building. Their offices have been newly frescoed and the reception and private rooms are ideal and up-to-date. Dr. McDowell will have his new touring car on the street by the first of May.

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Dr. Harry Garnes to Visit Home.

Dr. Harry Garnes will visit his parents on Easter. The genial doctor will be given a royal welcome at Columbus, where he spent his boyhood days. He is a successful dentist and president of the Matrimonial Club of Chicago.

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Young Men to Entertain Their Club.

The time is not far distant when the young men of the Thursday Evening Whist Club will entertain the young ladies of the club. For the past social season, the club has met as the female members of the club, and as a compliment the young men will entertain them by giving a swell theater dinner dance at the Carter Villa. The young men entertained last year, and it was the most beautiful social function ever given in the West. The club is made up of about eighteen of the leaders of the smart set.

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Mary Ray Day a Hummer.

Tuesday was Mary Ray day at the Pompeii. Miss Ray is the charming young girl who was such a tremendous hit in the "Darktown Follies," singing "All Day Long." Miss Ray is an entertainer at the Pompeii and she was honored on Tuesday by the presence of a large number of well dressed ladies and gentlemen who heard her sing such numbers as "Don't Blame It All on Broadway," "You Have Got Your Mother's Big Blue Eyes," "Hands Off," "International Rag," "Daddy had a Sweetheart," "All Day Long" and "Rock Me in the Cradle of Love." Miss Ray possesses a wonderful voice with a very high range and is today the leading entertainer on the south side. Although here two weeks and just a week at the Pompeii she is attracting large crowds nightly. Clarence Jones and his orchestra furnished the music for the occasion. Prof. Jones has with him the best trained musicians in Chicago. They are Clarence Jones, director; Frank Woods, violinist; Hallie Smith, flute; Jesse Dockett, clarionette; Charles Mitchell, drums; Dave Lewis, saxophone; Benj. Covington, trombone; Harry Hull, bars and Harry Johnson, cornet. The orchestra rendered the following program: "Oriental Tango" by Clarence Jones, "Pompeli Tango," "Heart of Mine Waltz," "One Wonderful Waltz," "Amaja" by, Sterni, selections from "Poet and Peasant," "William Tell," "Zampa" and "Lady of the Slipper." Perhaps the best vaudeville in the city could not come up to the very excellent program rendered on Tuesday. There was an audience present that appreciated every selection and this was evidenced by the continued applause. Popular "Joe" Shoecraft was right on the job, in making every one welcome and the day was one of the most delightful yet spent on a Tuesday. Next Tuesday will be "Daisy Brown Day." The Pompeii is known as the theatrical headquarters. Paul Robinson is the pianist.

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Grace Church Officers Installed.

Last Sunday, the Rev. Moses Jackson installed officers at Grace Presbyterian church. He delivered a very able sermon and installed the following officers: Charles Pierce, superintendent; Lawrence H. Ferribee, assistant superintendent; Horace Bronston, treasurer; Franklin H. Stephens, secretary; Mrs. Mable Ware, associate secretary; Mrs. M. M. Pierce, record clerk; James Mundy, musical director; Harry Jackson, librarian and R. B. Ellington, usher and doorman; teachers: Mesdames Ida Wells-Barnett, Anna Bond, Ellen Bronston, M. Hudson, Martha Mitchell, Paul Alexander, F. W. McCray, Martha Mitchell and A. B. Walker, Misses Muse Johnson, Ethel Murphy, Maude Roberts, Cora Willis, Odessa Lewis, Minnie Barnes, Edith McCray, Bertha Moseley and Helen Perry. On next Sunday memorial services will be held in memory of Cary Smith and others who have lately departed this life.

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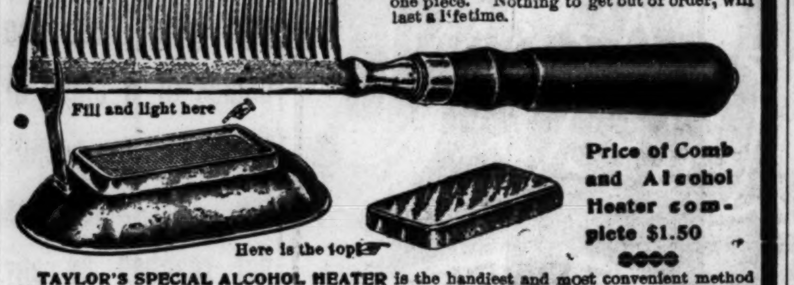

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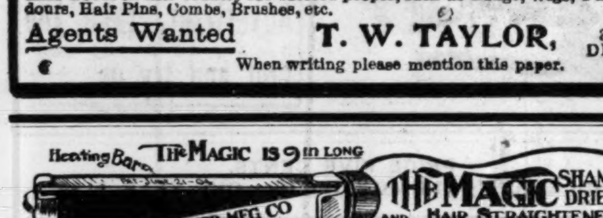
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KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL!

Mrs. Booker T. Washington, the Guest of Mrs. T. L. Brooks, Lectured at the State Normal, Clinton Street High School and the First Baptist Church—An Elaborate Reception Was Given in Her Honor—President G. P. Russell, of the State Normal "Scalps" Rev. D. C. Carter, in an Eloquent Tribute and Leaves Him for the People to Judge—Miss Martha E. Williams Highly Entertained the Artistic Ten Club.

Frankfort (Ky.) Special.

Mrs. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee, Ala., one of the most distinguished of the Afro-American leading women, was the guest of Mrs. T. L. Brooks, the wife of a prominent contractor and a Christian gentleman. Mrs. Washington, president of the National Federation of Women's Clubs who was the guest of Mrs. Mary E. Steward, the wife of Editor Steward, of the American Baptist, and music teacher at State University. Mrs. Washington was accompanied on the train by Mrs. Mary E. Steward, of Louisville, Mrs. Daisy M. Saffeell of Shelbyville, a prominent undertaker and editress of the State Club Women's Journal; Miss Marrietta P. Madison, teacher in the Shelbyville High School and leading figure in elite society at the Capital; Miss Mattie Hudson, of Shelbyville, a Christian young lady and assistant of Mrs. Saffel; Mrs. Mayme Stone Rodman ,teacher in the kindergarten department of the Shelbyville school and a member of the Clay Street Baptist church choir They were met at the train by Frankfort's most influential and Christian workers among women in persons of Mrs. T. L. Brooks, Mrs. Sarrah Underwood. They were borne from the depot in Mr. T. K. Robb's hack to the magnificent citadel of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Brooks. The same party made a every minute count. They visited the Clinton Street High School, of which Prof. Wm. H. Mayo is principal, and the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute. At both places Mrs. Washington delivered a psychological, plain common fire-side talk for the best interests of the race at large. At the First Baptist church, of which Rev. W. T. Silvey is pastor, marked a peculiar epoch in the Capitol's history when one of the most intellectual programs that was ever rendered. Even a man was not one to pray or say the benediction. This was something exclusively for the women and they carried it out to a perfection. Prayer by Mrs. T. L. Robb; duet, Misses Banks; solo, Miss M. P. Madison; introduction of Mrs. Booker T. Washington by Miss Martha E. Williams. Mrs. Washington paid a high tribute to the interest that the Frankfort women had created by their being so many present and especially men who came to see what they were doing. She made it plain in her lecture that there were no social clubs permitted in the organiation, because this work meant much sacrific to those who participated in it She encouraged young people to go into business, and throughout her discourse her remarks were of a high-class nature and worthy of emulation. Presentation of a basket of flowers to Mrs. Washington by Mrs. D. C. Carter; solo, Miss C. A. Boyd, directress of the great Emancipation celebration. Mrs. M. B. Lanair's remarks were excellent and full of logic to the point; solo, Miss J. P. Jackson. Mrs. Mary E. Steward of Louisville, national recorder, in a brief way, paid a high tribute in behalf of Kentucky, which always bring the chautauqua salute. Selection by the Clinton Street High School orchestra, under the direction of Miss C. A. Boyd. Mrs. T. L. Brooks, the hostess of Mrs. Washington, was master of ceremonies. Benediction by Mrs. Sarah Underwood. Mrs. T. L. Brooks, gave a reception in honor of Mrs. Brooker T. Washington at her handsome residence on the corner of Ann and Blanton streets, to whom too much credit cannot be given for such noteworthy act. The rooms were decorated abundantly with tasteful flowers and superfluity with electric lights. A glad welcome was extended to all. The ladies presented many beautiful gowns and the fragrent of perfume electrified the rooms. From their rance appearance each had returned to their youth. Miss Martha E. Williams received the guests at the door. Miss M. E. Williams wore pink charmeuse with black lace trimming and carried a bunch of American Beauty roses. Mrs. M. B. Madison wore steel satin with gold trimming. Miss Sâlena F. Mayo, blue satin with white embroidery trimmings. Mrs. T. L. Brooks, lilac satin lace over dress. Mrs. Booker T. Washington, blue velvet with real lace and steel trimmings. Mrs. M. E. Steward, of Louisville, wore blue silk and lace trimming. Mrs. C. Trimbo, white silk. Mrs. D. C. Carter, black and white satin gown. Mrs. M. B. Lanier, Alice blue satin with white lace trimming Mrs. W. T. Silvey, pink shaded chiffon, trimmed with shadow lace. Mrs. D. O. Robinson, blue silk call, trimmed with Persian lace. Mrs. Sarah Underwood, black and white satin gown with white embroidery trimmings and silk ribbon. Miss Virgia Madison, blue and satin gown, white lace and gold trimmings. The above mentioned includes the line-up at the reception. The following include the guests: Mrs. Robert Harrold wore a blue charmeuse which had a tunic of net embroidered in crystals and pearls, carrying a bunch of mixed carnations. Mrs. Mayme Stone Roman, of Shelbyville, wore a blue satin gown with trimmings of lace and French roses. Mrs. P .W. L. Jones wore plane broadcloth with blue satin trimming, and presided at the punch bowl. Mrs. Nettie Callery, of Louisville wore Nell rose crepe, trimmed in shaded lace Mrs. Nancie Davis, black satin. Mrs. Emma White, black silk. Mrs. Susan Martin, black silk. Mrs. Rosa Hale, blue silk. Mrs. George Robinson, black satin. Mrs. M. W. Woolridge, black silk. Mrs. Ben Combs was gowned in a gold charmeuse, trimmed with lace. Mrs. W. G. Childs, black silk. Mrs. Lizzie Gordon, blue silk. Miss Mary Alexander, plain blue silk suit. Mrs. Mary M. Simpson, black silk over net. Miss Marrietta P. Madison, black charmeuse with fur trimming. Miss Annie Alexander, broadcloth and silk. Miss Sadie Hawkins, blue crepe, trimmed in Irish crepe lace. Mrs. J. L. Lawson, lavender silk. Mrs. W. H. Lewis, black silk. Mrs. I. Welch, in mourning. Mrs. Birdie Dudley, black charmeuse. Miss Mattie Hudson, of Shelbyville, blue charmeuse, shaded with lace Mrs. Lizzie Johnson Rosby, black lace gown over white satin. Mrs. Lara Mayes, green silk. Mrs. Dolly Cross, which charmeuse with pearl trimmings. Mrs. J. H. Scott, black satin. Miss M. B. Woolforke broadcloth with flower trimmings. Mrs. R. W. James, Marguerite blue, carrying a bunch of American roses. Mrs. Marshall Butler, black silk. Mrs. Browam Graves, black silk. Mrs. C. L. Timberlake, green silk. Mrs. E. C. Davis, serge skirt with trimming, wearing diamonds and ruby. Mrs. Daisy M. Saffell, of Shelbyville, blue broadcloth all old lace and a diamond necklace. Mrs. Mattie L. Anderson, lace voile over blue messaline. Mrs. John Allen, black charmeuse. Mrs. Leonard B. Clinton, of Cleveland, O., broadcloth, trimmed with fur. Mrs. Henry Smith, satin and cream-colored lace. Mrs. Martha Washington, black silk. Mrs. Malica Thompson, black silk. Mrs. Laura Mayes, green silk. Mrs. Mary Handy, white charmeuse with pearl trimming. The following little misses acted as waiters at the reception: Misses Ruby Handy, white silk voile. Janet Robb, white silk. Mannie Banks, white satin. Mary F. Berry, white voil. E. R. Banks, white silk. M. B. Berry, white embroidery. Esteen and Nealie Dockery, crepe voile. Following are the men who attended the reception: Prof. Wm. H. Mayo, Messrs. B. D. Madison, Henry Smith, T. K. Robb, Dr. E. E. Underwood, Prof. R. W. James and Hardin Tolbert.----President P. G. Russell, of the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute, in an eloquent tribute before the faculty and student body, in a scholarly manner, answered the denunciation that had been made against the students by Rev. D. C. Carter, pastor of the A. M. E. church, and throughout his discourse he branded the Rev. Carter as taking the pulpit as a shield and throwing out insinuations upon the morals of the institution. He said that the students had been working in the Christian Society at his church and were in regular attendance at that church. He further said if Rev. Carter knew anything that would have been beneficial to the institution, and told him so, he could have investigated the matter. Throughout the scholarly discourse he showed the ignorance of Rev. Carter, and one penny would have bought the Negro preacher's "scalp"----Miss Christine Searcy, an attractive young lady of the south side, was hostess of a delightful party, given at her cozy home. A jolly set of boys and girls were present to enjoy themselves. A four-course menu was served and the guests were much elated over the repast.----The Earnest Workers' Club at the Folks of Elkhorn, of which Mrs. Plulis Frazier is persident and Mrs. Annie Smith, secretary, are making a fine record for the hospital and charitable work, and have some money in the bank.----Mr. Geo. Bell was called to Louisville on account of the illness of his nephew.----Miss Mary L. Settles is in the city from Lexington.----Miss Willie Silvey, assistant principal at the Somerset public school, of which Prof. James Diggs is principal, after a successful year, has returned home, to begin where she left off with the Christian work. Both are graduates from the State Normal----Prof. Wm. Callery, of the Springfield public school, has returned. Prof. Callery is a printer and is contemplating launching a negro paper.----Miss Georgie Flemmings, teacher at Lagrange, has returned to the city after having a successful year and commencement.----Mr. Press Johnson is the coal hustler, and not Mr. Press Martin.----Mrs. Tabitha L. Anderson, former state organizer of the State Federation of Women's Clubs and who extended the invitation to the Federation to meet in this city a few years ago, and who rendered valuable service to this organization, failed to be present to welcome Mrs. Booker T. Washington.----Mr. Henry Samuels, the first colored man to organize the Negro Democratic Club, is among the few who has never voted nothing but the Democratic ticket. Mr. Samuels is a respectable Christian and has a family of eight children, and is messenger in the office of auditor of state. He is one who has never betrayed the trust of his friends. Mr. Samuels is a "live wire" in Democrat circles.----Mrs. Annie Conda, a respected citizen, died suddenly. Rev. W. T. Silvey conducted the funeral ceremony at the First Baptist church She is the mother of the famous restaurant keeper, Mr. William Price.----Messrs Lee Johnson, John Harris, Ed Gains, John Caldwell, John Brown, K. Caldwell, Mrs. Vina and Susie Caldwell drove to Midway in an auto and sojourned among their many friends.----Mrs. Mary Handy is wearing a medal, which she won for faithful work in raising money for the hospital.----Mrs. Latica Fray, the pioneer citizen and Christian, mother of Mrs. Todd, died of old age. The funeral services were held at the Corinthian Baptist church by Rev. M. B. Lanier. A large number of friends mourn her death.----Mr. Frank Jones left for French Lick Springs, Ind., for a few weeks.----The Artistic Tea Club were guests of the president, Miss Martha E. Williams, at her beautiful home on Third street. Covers were laid for fourteen on St. Patrick's day. The color scheme was green. In the center of the table was a long basket filled with green and tiny pink roses. The handle was artistically decorated with pink rose buds and tiny green flags. The candles were covered with green shades, with pink roses for trimmings The color scheme was carried out in the fine courses. The guests of honor were, Mrs. Lena B. Clinton, of Cleveland, O.; Mrs. D. O. Robinson, and Miss Selena F. Mayo. Tiny green flags were the favors at each place----The motion pictures were very fine at the State Normal Friday night, and after the performance a few moments of gymnastic exercises and dancing played a little part in the program. This exercise is tolerated in some of the leading white schools of this country----The junior class at the State Normal captured the laurels in the program. Song by school; paper, Miss Broadus; instrumental duet, Misses Poston, Gorden; eulogy on Lincoln, Mr. Watts; solo, Miss E. McClaskey; pantomine, "Old Black Joe," Mr. Miner; recitation, Miss Haddox; quintet, Messrs. Williams, Fielding, Watts, Kimbley and Ridgeway; "New," Miss Vaughn. President of class, E. E. Guntore; master of ceremonies, J. J. U. Jones.----Prof. E. Posten and son, Mr. U. S. Posten, were called to Hopkinsville on account of the death of Prof. Posten's son.----Prof. M. A. Davis, former teacher at the State Normal and who is teaching in Evansville, Ind., is a guest of the city, sojourning among friends.----Prof. L. R. Coleman, New York, and Mrs. Catherine Vandike, of Shelbyville, were the guests of their mother, Mrs. J. H. Scott. Both are graduates of the State Normal, and only spent a few hours in the city.

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"A Better Mt. Sterling" the Subject at the Men's Meeting.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The "men's meeting" was held Sunday at the Willow Street M. E. church. Quite a few young men were in attendance and were very deeply inpressed by the speakers of the evening, who endeavored to carry out the slogan of the meeting—"A Better Mt. Sterling." A committee was appointed to visit your premises to see if conditions are such that a cleaning will make it more desirable for you and your neighbors. You can have a surprise in store for them if you start now. Let us all join in the chorus for a cleaner and better Mt. Sterling.----The Young People's Society meet every Sunday evening at the High Street Christian church.----The Standard Life and Accident Insurance Company of Atlanta, Ga., will open an office in this city some time in the near future.----The Literary Society of the C. M. E. church meet every Monday night. Were you in the crowd that tried to get into the church, which was taxed to its capacity . An excellent program was rendered. A. E. Yates, the Chicago baritone soloist, is on the program Monday night. Hear him.----Mrs. J. C. Cross was in Winchester last week.----Miss Viola Young spent a few days with her aunt, Miss Julia S. Young, secretary at State Normal, Frankfort, Ky.----Miss Pearl Myhner, of Bowen, Ky., is visiting her cousin, Miss Lillie M. Congleton.----Miss Clara Booker, of Covington, Ky., is the guest of Miss Julia Coleman at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Margaret Williams, who is very ill.----Miss Lillie Orear and Miss Margie Smith were in Owingsville, Ky., attending the funeral of Miss Smith's mother.----Mr. Louis Scott continues very ill.----Mrs. Ellen Bell Johnson is ill at her home on East High street.----Mr. Peter Grubbs continues very ill at his home on Richmond street street.----Mr. Tom Johnson is complaining at his home on Mackie Heights.----Mr. Caygood, a prosperous farmer of the county, was buried here last Thursday----Miss Fannie Brooks was found dead last Friday.----Sterling Lodge No. 146, I. B. P. O. E. W., elected the following officers at their regular meeting Monday night: Harry White, exalted ruler; Lee Garrett, lecturing knight; Luther Bell, loyal knight; Raymond P. Owings, leading knight; Richard Beatty, esquire; Harrison Trumbo, secretary; William Mitchell, treasurer.----Mr. A. E. Yates was entertained at the Red Moon Club last Friday night.----The Jolly Four Club will have a ball at Bolt's Hall next week.

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PROMINENT NEGRO PHYSICIAN TO GO ABROAD.

Dr. H. Reginald Smith to Take Special Course in London University—Sails April 19th, via White Star Line.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 24—Dr. H. Reginald Smith, prominent among the professional men of the city, will leave on April 19th for London, to take a special course in the Royal Eye Hospital of the University of London. His stay will be indefinite. Dr. Smith has been a creditable student in a number of advanced institutions of learning, notable among them being the Howard University, the Chicago Post Graduate Hospital and Medical School, the Fordham University of New York, attending physician of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Polyclinic of the Provident Hospital as well as an active member of a number of medical associations, having for their aim the advancement of scientific medical research.

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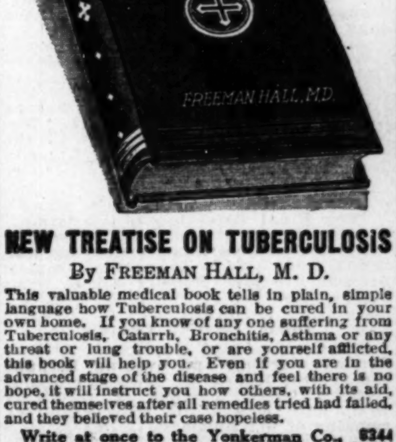

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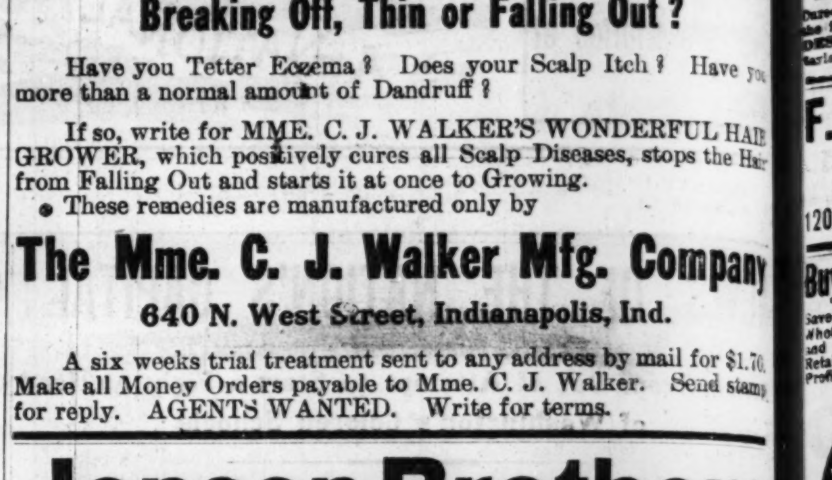

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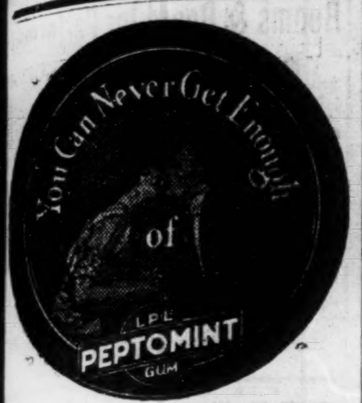
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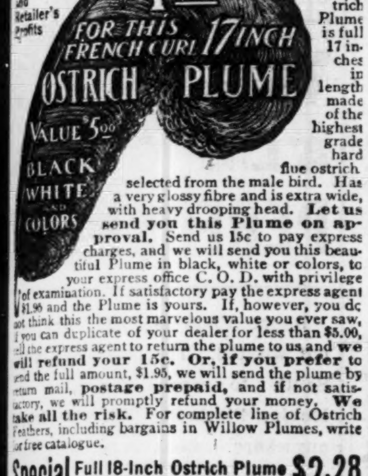

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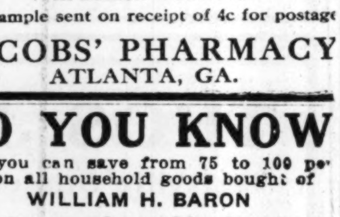

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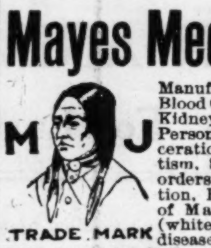

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There's mighty little glow
In spats
With gnats,
And nothing to be proud about
A victor to come out
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With mites!
—John Kendrick Bangs.

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Time spent in quarreling is time wasted.

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The belief is quite general that Prof. Dubois is "sorry he spoke."

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And now they are trying to saddle the villainous Villa on the poor Negro race!

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Jack Johnson wants to hear from any "white hope" who can raise $30,000 for a fight.

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The most harmless fellow on earth is he who has done his worst—and failed to hurt anybody. He is "all in."

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Booker T. Washington is one of those rare geniuses who are equally felicitous with the pen as on the platform.

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Let it be emphasized that there are no colored members of the I. W. W., which is set out to religious and secular New York.

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The Crisis will not make any more half-baked remarks about the King's English employed by Negro editors in taking care of the news of the day.

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Bishopric probabilities for 1916: J. S. Jackson and G. C. Clement, Zion; D. P. Roberts, A. M. E., and L. H. Brown, C. M. E. Keep your eye on our bulletin.

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New York City is to have a nine-story hotel for colored patrons, to cost $150,000. It will be located in Harlem, the Mound Bayou of the nation's metropolis.

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"Brazen Effrontery" is running "Modest Merit" a close race in the "sweepstakes" of today; but the later heats will show the latter horse to better advantage.

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Rev. R. L. Williams, of Marlin, Texas, must be having a "soft time of it." He has been called to the pastorate of the Mount Pillow Baptist church of that place.

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As for the presidency in 1916, possess your soul in patience. The right man will appear with the occasion. The Negro's most fitting role is that of "watchful waiting."

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A tidal wave struck Madagascer a few days ago and is said to have washed off a goodly section of the island; but it will take more than a mere tidal wave to dislodge from his moorings the Hon. James G. Carter, our good-looking consul at Tamatave.

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There are the same differences in men and motor cars. Look at the big man who goes about like a smooth-running, six-cylinder car, and then gaze at the fellow who reminds you of the sputtering, noisy little runabout—making a lot of fuss, but getting nowhere.

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For the present, the Negro is praying for Cole Blease, Ben Tillman, Jim Vardaman, Aswell of Louisiana, Edwards of Georgia, Heflin of Alabama, Hardwicke of Georgia, and others of that ilk whom the Lord is permitting to live to work out a plan known only to Divinity.

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A metropolitan daily hints that Senator Vardaman is correct in disclaiming the honor of being a great constitutional lawyer, as it is evident that the long-haired Mississippian began his study of the great document at the end and never got further forward than the Fifteenth Amendment.

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The polite, sagacious and patient Negro waiter will "come back" after the hotel owners and the moneyed public get tired of the haughty independence, impudent demands and unprovoked strikes of the French and Italian tray-manipulators, for whom mercurial Americans have had a passing fancy.

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Keep your weather eye open for the pussy-footed cynic, who, with wolfish howl and grouchy growl, seeks to destroy initiative, fetter hope, and wreck the successful to gratify his soulless malice and fiendish chaos. The Negro race can not carry the burden that men of this low, envious type hang upon its shoulders.

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Until the Protestant Episcopal and the Methodist Episcopal churches have the courage and Christian generosity to elect Negro Bishops to preside over Negro congregations, they may be said to have touched only the crust of the race problem in ecclesiastical government. The church should be an ideal democracy. To be less is to lose its sweetest savor.

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"The American Blower Company" is the name of a manufacturing concern in Detroit. Editor James A. Ross, whose modesty and dignity stamp him as a statesman of the first rank, is not one of its stockholders. Mr. Ross can run a fine paper and run for big office, without losing a stitch in his knitting. He never was a "blower"—just a hard and conscientious worker, that's all.

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The colored brother must "smoke up," if he would keep in the vanguard of progress. Although Matt Henson went with Peary to the North Pole, there is nothing of record to show that any member of the black race was in Aundsen's dash to the South Pole. We must not mind getting "cold feet" when the geography of the world is to be enlarged.

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William M. Kelley, in the New York News, tells a big truth in a nutshell when he says the preacher should preach business as a means of living happily and well on earth, in addition to preaching morality as a means of reaching the celestial regions above. And, business means a fat collection plate to help along the work the preacher is doing in the name of the Master. Business and religion should be steady running mates.

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The Wagoner American has taken the lead as a boomer for the regular meeting of the National Negro Press Association, which will appear at Muskogee in August as the advance agent of the National Negro Business League. Brer Clark says: "Because Nashville is a 'dry' town, an effort is being made to poke fun at the Negro Press Association, which recently met there. Maybe Nashville is like Muskogee, where the Negro editors also are to meet in August. If any editors find they have left their cockscrews at home, their wants will soon be supplied." A hint to the wise is sufficient.

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The Amsterdam News is on solid ground when it advises colored men and women to remain in America and fight systematically for their rights as citizens. No Negro with a spoonful of brains wil take any stock in the vagaries of Chief Sam or any fakir who argues a "Back to Africa" program. Such fellows prey upon the ignorant, superstitious—and therefore gullible—element of the Negro race, with a view of lining their pockets with their hard-earned money. Let us echo with the Amsterdam News: "Chief Sam, 'Get thee behind me, Satan!'" We shall stay in our own country and solve our problems along sane and constructive lines.

NEWS NOTES OF MONTGOMERY, W. VA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mesdames Amanda Hankins, Carrie Watson and Ezzie Lewis attended the funeral of Mr. George Washington at Pratt, W. Va., Thursday.----Rev. V. Harriday is visiting friends in Charleston.---Mrs. Mead McClair and son Henry of Huntington, W. Va., were the guests of Mrs. Florence Bowsman Thursday and Friday.----Mesdames Mattie Parks and Clara Saunders of Boomer were the guests of Mrs. Jas. Clark Thursday.----Mrs. Orlander Hodge and son Orlander Jr. arrived home Saturday from Charleston, where she has been for several days introducing her famous scalp food.----Misses Madeline Rogers and Beatrice Wilkerson, students of W. V. I. at Institute, W. Va., are spending several days here visiting parents.----Mrs. Joe Willie Jimerson, student of W. V. I. at Institute, arrived home Monday very ill. We hope Mrs. Jimerson will soon be able to resume her studies.----Mr. Marshall Davis died Saturday morning at his room; funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the undertaker's parlor.---Miss Eliza Woods, teacher at Kimberly, W. Va., was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nat. Woods, Saturday and Sunday.----Mr. John Hardy went to Slab Fork Sunday to spend several days with his wife.----A surprise party was given Mrs. Warner Brown Friday evening by the ladies of the Willing Workers' Club. Quite a number of beautiful presents were given her.----E. T. Wade was a business visitor out of town Saturday.----Mrs. Bettie Arnold and Mr. Nile Rogers, patients at the Sheltering Arms Hospital, are improving rapidly.----A series of meetings will be conducted at the First Baptist Church for ten days beginning Monday night. Rev. W. R. Brown of Roanoke, Va., will assist his brother, Rev. Warner Brown.----Contractor G. W. Lee has finished the residence on College avenue for Mr. Al. Thompson and begun the new ten room building on Front street for Mr. Barney Davis. Contractor Lee keeps busy.----Chas. Henderson was up at his summer home two days this week getting ready for summer occupancy. Things are looking bright for the formation of a company to drill for oil and gas on his place.----Don't forget Capt. Reece's place for a shine and get the latest news of Race's doing from The Freeman.----Mr. Clark has more applicants for children to enter her private school than she can accommodate.----Geo. Gough, who has been porter at the C. & O. depot for some time, died suddenly Monday. He was out Saturday, but complaining of very bad cold. He was a good citizen and well liked by the citizens of our town and also the traveling public.----Rev. Warner Brown preached two able sermons Sunday morning and evening. Rev. D. C. Deans was in the pulpit with Rev. Brown. Sunday morning service the choir rendered excellent music. The church can certainly boast of high class choir and they sing classy music. The attendance at the morning service was excellent.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., NEWS.

Mr. C. H. Freeman, Camptain of Company L, Gives Banquet for Our Boys.

(By Nellie Early.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Col. Charles H. Murr, inspector, instructor of Illinois National Guard of 23d Infantry U. S. A., inspected Company L, 8th Ill. N. A., March 20th. There was only five absentees which is an excellent showing. The small arms were reported in excellent condition. Captain C. H. Freeman in honor of his second anniversary as Captain of Company L, tendered a banquet to the company after inspection, after which the soldiers received their pay for the last encampment. Sergeant Major Gorden and Major Otis Duncan, of Springfield, were here also and inspected the company, and also made annual visit. Dr. A. H. Kinniebrew and Captain C. H. Freeman met Sergeant Major Gorden and Major Otis Duncan in Dr. Kinniebrew's automobile at train. From there they were driven to the captain's home, where an excellent five course dinner was served.----Mrs. Mary Hayden presented Mr. Frank Mallory and Mr. Clay Mallory recently with a beautiful pillow top, table cover and a library scarf, a three piece set. The work is well done and neatly done by her own hands. It is valued at twenty dollars.----Mr. Timberlick and family are residing on Lincoln ave.----The North End Social Club met March 18th with Mrs. S. Mounts.----The remains of Clay Marshall, who was brought here from Quincy, Ill., were interred in East cemetery.----The Domestic Social Club met March 20th with Mrs. Charles Jackson, on S. Sandy st. Excellent refreshments were served.----While in the city Blind Boone Concert Company boarded at the residence of Mrs. Ed Ramey, on S. West st.----Rev. Hoagland, of Bloomington, Ill., preached an able sermon, March 22d, at the Christian church.----Mrs. James McDaniel is a patient at the Home Sanitarium.----Among the sick are little Emma Mitcherson, Miss Josephine House, Mr. John Blue. All are improving.----Mrs. Bettie Coleman is a patient at the Passasant Hospital.----Mr. Fred Samuels and family are now residing on S. West st.

MORGANFIELD, KY.

(By Wm. Couch.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

County school superintendent, G. W. Curry, delivered an excellent address to a large number of citizens Tuesday evening March 17, at the public school building in the interest of a new school building. After he had concluded, arrangements were completed by which Morganfield is to have a new modern school building by the opening of the next school term.----Dr. W. H. Ballard, state grand master of the W. B. F.'s made his annual visit here last Tuesday, the 24th, and expressed himself as being well pleased with the progressive condition of the lodge and temple. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McElroy, while here.----Mr. Virgil Gee entertained the following named persons to 6 o'clock dinner at the home of Mr. an dMrs. A. C. McElroy; Dr. W. H. Ballard, Lexington, Ky.; worthy princess, Hattie E. Hornbeck; worthy master, Allen E. Neal; Prof. E. Fossil, Dr. M. G. Ransom, Wm. Couch, and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McElroy.----Rev. E. F. Goodson, pastor of the M. E. church here, preached a very able sermon at the C. M. C. church last Sunday to a large audience. Afterwards $164.50 was raised, over which the pastor, Rev. S. A. O'Neal, and his members are very jubilant.----Rev. Shutz, of Henderson, Ky., preached an entertaining sermon at the F. B. church last Sunday which was enjoyed by many.----Rev. Geo. Powell of Corydon, Ky., visited here last Sunday.----The Ladies Blue Rubbon Society met with Mrs. Wm. Couch last Thursday and after they had finished their regular business they were surprised with a delightful luncheon which met the approval of all.----The concert given at the W. B. T. hall proved a decided succes in every way. It was plainly shown that there is brilliant stage talent here that only needs perfect development.----Don't forget to get a copy of The Freeman, on sale at Wm. Couch's cash grocery.----Mrs. Mattie McMurry and daughter Beatrice, of Clay, Ky., are visiting here this week.----Mrs. J. A. Hughes went to Waverly, Ky., last Sunday for a short visit.----Miss Clara Hord, daughter of Mr. Larkin Hord, who died in Henderson, Ky., last Sunday, was brought here for burial.----Dr. Ransom is very busy this week with pneumonia cases.----Mrs. Catherine Rice was given from one to five years in the state prison for brutality assaulting her husband, Ben Rice.----There is some talk of organizing a ball team here. We hope the boys won't talk the season away, when there is excellent ball playing material with which to play it away.

MADISONVILLE, KY.

(By Floyd I. Grace.)

Special to The Freeman.

Dr. Ballard of Lexington, Ky., grand master of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. lodges will be in the city Sunday in the interest of the order.----The Atkinson College Monthly for March has made its appearance. We feel safe in saying that it finds a welcome in every home.----Rev. J. D. Finnell, pastor of Wesley Chapel, preached the annual sermon to the public schools last Sunday afternoon at the Eastview Baptist church. A large and appreciative audience heard a well-prepared sermon.----Mrs. Dora Woodson is in Jackson, Tenn., with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ott Sharp and family.----Rev. J. H. Gough, P. E. of this district, was with his people at Zion Temple Sunday. Three services were held during the day which were well attended. Rev. Selectman, P. E. of the Dussellville district, preached the communion sermon at 3 p. m. The quarterly conference was held on Friday night. The reports showed that the church was in good condition and deserved the honor of being at the head of the district. Dr. Buckner, the pastor, keeps things moving down here.----The primary grades of the public schools had their exercises Thursday and Friday nights at Wesley Chapel. The church was filled to its capacity both nights. The children showed special care had been taken in preparing for the exercises by their teachers, Misses M. E. Jackson, Dairy Cabell, Mayme Gooch and Mrs. G. C. Parker.----"The Prodigal son" will be shown in moving pictures at Zion Temple, Friday night, under the auspices of the Educational Club.----Mrs. Harris, of Clarksville, Tenn., spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Nina Buckner.----Rev. and Mrs. Buckner and Mrs Harris, of Clarksville, attended the funeral of Mrs. Martha Simms at Earlington Tuesday morning.----You can get a copy of The Freeman at Woolduge Hotel, 5c copy.

NEWS OF BONHAM, TEXAS.

(Bishop Dale, 618 E. 5th St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Seaside Bazaar given by the members of the A. M. E. church, was a financial success.----Mrs. Mary Hunter, of Jefferson, is here visiting relatives and friends.----Mrs. G. L. Steward and Miss L. M. Stone were among their many friends at Honey Grove, Sunday.----It affords us the greatest pleasure to speak in the highest terms of Mrs. E. A. Hackley, as a musical artists. A large and fashionable audience greeted her Thursday night at Steger Opera House. Mrs. Hackley is a pianist of rare accomplishments and her playing indicated a spirit that stamped her as a genuine artist. Mrs. Hackley stopped at the residence of Mrs. Lula Johnson, 808 E. 5th st.----Sick listed: Mr. George Weathersby and Mrs. Whiteside.----Mr. and Mrs. Henry Christian are remodeling their home on E. 5th st.----The Young Men's Dunbar Social Club, of which Mr. Eddie Hunter is president, is progressing nicely.----Miss May Hynson, Miss Ellen Clark and Prof. Hynson, of Dodd City, were visiting friends here Sunday.----The K. of P. will have their annual thanksgiving sermon preached Sunday, March 29th, at A. M. E. church. The sermon will be preached by Rev. W. M. Hunt. The Courts of Calantha and Uniform Rank will turn out with the K. of P. The Uniform Rank has a nice set of suits for its members, which they will wear during that day. Captain Henry Christian is hard at work practicing his men for the Grand Lodge.----The White Rose Culture Club was entertained by Miss Katie Jones, March 18th. A three course luncheon was served. A nice time was reported by all.----The following ladies were in the city Saturday, March 21st: Miss Liza Doss, Miss Oudia Moore, Mrs. M. S. Dejournete.

DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON COMING TO COLUMBUS, OHIO.

(By Powell.)

Mrs. Booker T. Washington, as president of the National Asosciation of Colored Women's Clubs, comes to Columbus Thursday evening to lecture under the auspices of the Fortnightly Reading Club. This will probably be one of the biggest events of the season. The meeting will be held at Second Baptist Church, where arrangements have been made for a capacity audience. The lecture will be followed with a reception to the distinguisned guest in the parlors of the church.

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Mrs. Minnie Jamison was unable to attend the Ohio Women's Christian Temperance Union at Springfield, Ohio, where she was to appear on the same program with Mrs. Booker T. Washington on Monday, March 23. The many friends of Mrs. Jamison will be glad to hear that she is recovering from an operation.

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Miss Phenon Summers of Columbus, Ohio, an accomplished pianist, will spend her Easter vacation in Louisville, Ky., the guest of the Drs. Brock of South Fifth street. She will return by way of Indianapolis and be the guest of Mrs. Allen Simms of North Capitol avenue.

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E. B. Dudley, manager of the Dunbar Theater, is having a big success and in the near future will operate a 5 cent motion picture house two squares from the Dunbar. Nicholas and Logan are heading the bill this week, assisted by Miss Maud Jones, who is a screaming hit. They are ably assisted with an afterpiece by the Dunbar stock company. Mrs. E. B. Dudley, who was formerly musical director, is till at her home in Chattanooga, Tenn.

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"The Colored Five," under the management of Walter Hillard of Buffalo, N. Y., will fulfill an engagement at the Kaiserhoff, where they will succeed "Rigo," the gipsy violinist.

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The Buckeye Window Cleaning Co. of this city is a colored establishment owned and operated by colored men. Mr. J. R. Redden is manager. This establishment has been able to land a large contract with the Jeffry Manufacturing Co., one of the largest manufacturing plants in the world.

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(By G. R. Vass.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Too much praise cannot be given the good colored citizen of our city whose daily increasing race pride and loyalty to the Negro in business is becoming manifestly greater every day. Our druggist, Dr. A. J. Duncan, dentist, Dr. W. C. Yarzrough; physicians, Drs. O. D. Porter, Z. K. Jones; undertaker, J. E. Kuykendall; colored insurance men, J. F. Moxley and A. J. Thompson; trained graduate nurses, Misses Ora F. Porter and Nettie Harding; shoemaker and cafe proprietor, John T. Porter; pawnbroker, secondhand store and fish dealer, J. J. Royster; real estate dealers, John L. Gordon, Robert Harding and Spencer Nichols; notary public, G. R. Vass; poolroom proprietors, Chas. Kirkendall and Tom Harris and Robert Dougless; stone mason, Ed Haskins & Sons; contractor, Joe Hampton; plasterers, Tansy Lee, John Hurd and Will Butts; blacksmiths, James Allen, James Cooksey & Son, James Weston and John Blakey; expressmen, Sam Hampton, Jordan McCurdy, Silas Hockersmith, Hank Shanks, Will Miller and George Price; pressing club proprietors, B. P. Pryor, Othor D. Haskins, Vass Bros., Jas. T. Potter Jr. and William Jones; moving picture and vaudeville theater proprietor and manager, John Blakey and Chas. Blakey; restaurant and lodging house keeper, Wm. Oliver; tonsorial parlor proprietors, Henry Dial, Will Edwards, Tom Bloodworth; Bowling Green Academy and Theological Institute, Rev. J. L. Hyde, president; groceryman, Jacob Woods; photographer, Will Edwards; three resident ice cream parlors and confectioners, Huston Smith, Chas. Carpenter and Mrs. Covington. These industries are supported principally by Negroes, who by the way form about a third of our city's population, or 3,500 persons.----The annual sermon of Diamond Lodge No. 23 Knights of Pythias and its contingencies will be held at Taylor's Chapel A. M. E. on the afternoon of Sunday the 29th. Rev. J. A. Hill will officiate.----A company of Patriarchs of the G. U. O. F. has been organized here by Col. Joe Bowles, of Louisville, and judging from the way the boys are working under Captain Goodnight they will make a fine showing at the state encampment at Richmond this summer.----Mrs. Booker T. Washington visited our city on the 17th as guest of Miss Ora F. Porter and delivered an interesting and instructive lecture to a crowded house at Taylor's Chapel, Tuesday evening, on the subject of "Federation of Colored Women's Clubs."----Rev. Doctor Robt. Mitchell, pastor of State St. Baptist church, lectured in Louisville last week to the students of Kentucky State University on subject "Books and the Quest of Truth."----Rev. C. C. Wakefield, district superintendent of the Sunday schools, filled State St. Baptist church pulpit creditably last Sunday.----Mr. James R. Price, of W. Tenth st., died after a lingering illness of four months and was buried from Bethel church Sunday p. m. He leaves wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn their loss.----Our little city was the scene of two horrible murders this week. Jim Haywood shot Lucy Pearson and Earnest Eubanks shot Leroy Price.----The Freeman on sale at all times at Park City Drug Store.

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The spring poet is now in order, with his "April showers bring May flowers."

The colored people of Washington, D. C., have had their annual school row. It seems pretty well settled at this time, and with Roscoe Conkling Bruce still at the head of affairs.

Why not make a memorial of the Frederick Douglass home, as is proposed? We have a Douglass day when the memory of the great man is honored. We are conducting a subscription fund to the end that his home be preserved in honor of his great service to the race and country. Kindly contribute to it. See it mentioned elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. Wilson won a splendid victory when the House of Representatives sustained him in his side of the toll exemption controversy. In fact, the opposition has never had any argument beyond that of might to do because we had the power to do. Beyond the great thing of the conservation of national honor is that other victory—the elimination of the subsidizing idea, meaning virtually the support of a few at the expense of many.

Mr. Champ Clark injected just a tiny bit of venom in his speech, to wit: "I do not believe that the fact that I led on twenty-nine ballots at Baltimore, receiving a clear majority of nine, and that I got a majority of more than 300,000 over the President in the primary elections where he and I competed, precludes me from discharging my duty or exercising my rights as a representative in Congress and as speaker to stand up for America against Great Britain."

An Oklahoma mob, this week, got in its work on a Negro woman. It was composed of twelve men who succeeded in tricking the jailer to gain admission to the jail where the woman was confined. Twelve men were the semblance of the law all right, but they were not the real thing. The woman was charged with having killed a white man by shooting him. Just a common, almost everyday crime, it will be noted, and yet the mob spirit had to come to the front. But happily the mob is losing its hold, and in a few more years it promises to be a thing of the past, at, least, as a civil habit.

It begins to look as if the Democratic party does not mean to do all it could do to the Negroes. The attempt of Vardaman and Borah to read the Negroes out of the Constitution met with no response worthy of mention. This is as it should be. The Negroes are citizens. What it cost to put them in the Constitution, we dare say, will not be considered lightly. The cost was not in vain, and we think that the good saving sense of the country will see it that way. The probable confirmation of Judge Terrell of the district court of Washington is more evidence that the administration does not mean to enter on a crusade against the Negroes. Many appointments are not expected under the circumstances. A few appointments will keep alive the principle that the government has the best interest of all of the citizens at heart.

President Wilson won his contention in the Panama canal controversy in the House of Representatives by a splendid vote. That body passed the repeal measure by a majority of 86, the vote being 247 for and 161 against. The victory, while ascribed to the President, is not strictly that way. The foremost men of the country, Republicans especially, long since spoke of the exemption of our ships from the common toll, saying that it was contrary to the terms of the treaty bearing on the point. Mr. Wilson saw it as the leaders of thought saw it and to which class he belongs. These men refused to entertain the idea of proprietorship of the canal to the extent that would seem warranted owing to the fact it was our money that built the canal. More than that was involved. The acquirement of the strip and the beginning of the work were not without international consideration. This is real because we entered into agreements by treaty. More than one treaty was made in order to simplify matters. The leaders of thought insisted that the stipulations of the treaty be carried out as it becomes high-toned governments, or individuals. Mr. Wilson, in his capacity as President, gave the greater force to the rightful contention, and to the extent that the measure that jeopardized the nation's standing has been struck from the laws of the country by the lower branch of Congress.

WHO IS GEN. VILLA?

Rumor is persistent that Villa is a Negro, a United States Negro. Frederick Inman Monsen, the explorer, thinks that Gen. Panco Villa, the Mexican constitutionalist leader in Mexico, is a Negro. Recently he said:

I have known Villa personally for years. He was my guide for several months. Villa is a man of dominating personality, with the eyes of a born dictator. I believe he has Negro blood in his veins, and I am certain that he has had military training somewhere.

The New York Sun thinks it not improbable that Villa is a Negro. That publication had this to say:

Two soldiers of the Tenth cavalry, a crack Negro regiment, have declared that they recognized in Villa a fellow trooper, and the story is not inherently improbable. The officers of the Tenth are splendid disciplinarians and they turn out fine soldiers. General Villa's energy, alertness, methodical habits of work and familiarity with transportation and commissariat details are unusual in a Mexican. The man has great natural ability, and he handles his army of raw volunteers like one who is well grounded in the school of the soldier.

Says the New York Age:

The man is said to have been born in this country and to have served under the name of George Goldsby as sergeant-major in the Tenth U. S. cavalry, although most of his life has been passed in Mexico. Men claiming to have been with him in the regiment say they have seen him recently and talked with him of their army experiences.

Now, who is Villa? He is creating quite a stir all right. And it is said that our race will stir up things even when it reaches the blissful abode.

WILL THE RAILROAD OFFICIALS, DO WHAT THEY SAY?

Jas. B. Dudley, the North Carolina educator, does not think very much of the promises of the railroad officials as they concern the facilities in the coaches set aside for the Negroes. He says that the railroads will never comply with the law until made to do so. Mr. Dudley's observation, doubtless, leads him to such a conclusion. He may be right, yet there is no reason why we should not give the officials opportunity to make good in the instance. Up until the time Dr. Booker T. Washington called attention to the condition no general demand had been made for the change. The desultory "firing" of our newspapers is not always noted. We are likely to think so when, the fact is, that: those whom we would reach know nothing of our cause. Those busy men do not take notice of our publications. We are giving the officials the benefit of the doubt. We prefer to put this charitable construction forward in view of those kindly letters received by Dr. Washington.

We would not like to think that after those fine expressions, almost unanimous expression, to the end that the matter would be looked into and abuses corrected, by the railroad officials, that they have no intentions in mind to do so. Then, too, we should take into account the educator of Tuskegee, to whom the letters of the officials were addressed. He is greatly respected by the white people generally, nor do we think the railroad officials are exceptions.

We have long since commented on the kindly expressions of the officials. Those who have read these letters must admit that they, as a whole, were humane, considerate and satisfactory in view of the racial relations. Justice in its fullest sense would mean no temporizing, no compromising; it would mean the total abolition of the separate coach business. But the very spirit that has brought about the separate coaches has caused the delay in getting what the law demands. So a general, generous response on the part of the officials is clearly a race gain, and should be thus set down. The law of compulsion as it concerns us has not been what it might be. Our civil rights laws in the states mean nothing very much. Hotels and restaurants and theatres by one subterfuge or another are shutting out most effectually the would-be Negro patronage. Public opinion precedes the law; it announces the law's necessity, and without it the law, if important, owing to its operation, will not be very effective. We mean that we prefer to see the railroad men take the step of their own initiative.

As to what the officials will do, of course remains to be seen. For our part we will not think lightly of what they have said. We do not feel to discredit them, doubting them in the very index. The compelling power is all right in a way; it should always stand an individual or a people as a thing of the last resort, yet if the compelling power was all that it should be we would not have this question to worry us.

True enough, we have waited long for a change for the better, but it may be that we have not gone about the thing in the right way. If all laws were obeyed our court houses would not be nearly so busy as they are. We naturally conclude that it is one thing to make laws and another thing to obey them, especially where there's no disposition to obey them. Corporations do not take kindly to some kinds of expenses. Added to this is the fact that we are a people who are citizens at a discount and there you are. It's a rather hard expression, but none truer. Everything discriminates, all first class concerns; this means discounted citizenship. Railroad companies feel as free to take their time and do as they please as other concerns. We mean that the law of compulsion is anything except that, as it concerns us.

Knowing what we do, the letters of the officials to Dr. Booker T. Washington were something of a victory—yes, a victory to win our very own. They promised what has not ruled. Even those Kentucky cases where three companies were worsted in court came about after the expressions of the railroad men. We will await the action of the officials a while before we conclude that they were merely "stalling." We see no reason why they should not make good their word. It is not a difficult thing to fit up coaches adequately—no more so for Negroes than white persons. We will see what we will see.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

News for the People—Items of Progress—Church Business and Otherwise the Lack of Understanding Hampers Our Folks—Visitors Here and There.

(By Col. J. Griffin, 2922 Cochran St.)

Our people suffer oftentimes by not understanding the laws which is a short-coming on their part.----The Bachelors' Club is to serve some of their friends Easter Sunday.----Mr. Robert Weeme is the right man in the right place.----Mesdames O. H. Holloway, J. T. Tiggs and B. Underwood were entertained at the residence of Mrs. Holloway Thursday of the past week.----Mr. Jas. Robinson, of Marlin, spent several days here visiting his sister, Mrs. J. W. Parks, on Cochran street.----It pays to be just what you are and no more to your friends these days.----Little Johnnie Toliner and a large number of her little playmates enjoyed her birthday party last Wednesday afternoon at the residence of her parents on N. Allen street, where a jolly time was had by all.----The remains of Mr. Robert McCarther was laid to rest last Saturday after a short illness. His wife and brother were with him at the time of his death. Crawford & Co. had charge of the remains. Mr. and Mrs. McCarther were formerly of Austin, Texas, where a large host of relatives and friends mourn his death. Short acquaintances here extend much symparty to the relatives.----It is moving time once more so let us know where you move to if you expect to get this paper on time. Even the man who invented work is into new quarters and is ready to move you and store your goods, 3225 Rase avenue.----It's the jingles we wish you to send in, but Griffin wishes to supply you The Freeman every week; see him. No one is authorized to take orders here but J. G. Griffin, the old reliable.----A meal at the Star Cafe is a pleasure to you. Call.----Mrs. D. V. Hooper is in San Antonio and is reported recuperating rapidly.----Mrs. Will King is doing nicely since being operated on at the St. Paul Sanitarium the past week. Also Mrs. Mary Clairborne is up and doing nicely since being operated on.----Mrs. Rebecca Russell of Chicago, who has been spending several months visiting relatives and friends in various parts of the state, returned home from here after a few pleasant days' stay with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Loue on Cottage Lane.

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NEWS OF MURPHYSBORO, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Miss Jessie Brooks was over from Harrisburg visiting mother and father. She is the principal of the Lincoln school, Harrisburg, Ill.----On Tuesday evening, March 25th, there was a birthday party given in honor of Obie Pelly. He celebrated his thirty-sixth birthday. Many attended and everybody enjoyed themselves.----Edward Ganes is on the sick list with little improvement.----Mr. Chester Ware made a business visit over to Marion Wednesday; arrived home Saturday.----Prof. Felix Fitch just arrived from Golcounty, Ill., on a business trip. He enjoyed a nice visit.----Harvey Owens is on the sick list but is able to be out again.----Fred Carter, the Freeman paper boy, has bought a new whistle. If you want to read the Freeman listen for Carter's whistle every Saturday.----If there is any theatrical manager wishing to correspond with the Brown family, address mail to 117 S. 10th st., Murphysboro, Ill.----Oscar Evans is on the sick list but is improving.----Mr. Israel Bates expects to make a visit down home soon.----Mr. C. H. DeJoie is on the sick list but is improving very much.----W. E. and M. Society of the Shiloh Baptist church met Thursday, March 26, 1914, at 2:30 p. m., at the residence of Mrs. Fern Trison. The meeting was opened with scripture reading. Matt. 21. By president; prayers, by Mrs. Storms. After the important business had been transacted a topic was discussed. Subject, "Cleansing the Temple," led by Mrs. Chester Ware. After a very pleasant and profitable meeting the president closed with the Lord's prayer. Light refreshments were served by hostess.

GULFPORT, MISS.

Rev. Dr. B. S. Williams, pastor St. Paul A. M. E. church, is losing no time preparing for the district conference, which will be held at Lyman, Miss., this year. Dr. Williams is a worker.----Mrs. Emma Adams was called to Jackson on account of the death of her nephew, Mr. George Robinson. We tender Mrs. Adams and family our sympathy.----Mr. Charles Powell is among the oldest employes of the G. & S. I. R. R. His steady character and pleasing disposition has made him many friends and he is among the few "on the way up."----Mrs. Wm. Barney, Gaston Point, spent several days in New Orleans, and reports a pleasant stay in the Crescent City.----Mr. Ernest L. Fox, the chairman of the jubilee celebration, spent a week in and around Gulfport seeing after his work which promises to be unique in construction. The Rev. Dr. R. T. Sinns will deliver the jubilee sermon at 11 o'clock. This promises to be the climax of the celebration. Wiggins, the logical city for the celebration, was graced with the presence of this coming giant. The Rev. Fox delivered two instructive sermons.----The enthusiasm ran high on Monday night a general mass meeting was held in the beautiful church of that city. Bro. Fox was the chief speaker. Subject, "Princes shall come out of Egypt and Ethiopia shall soon stretch forth her hands to God." Ps. 68:31. Every race lover will push such strong young men as this Gulfport Fox. I have lived on this coast, but I cannot see any redemption but through such coming young divine such as Fox, Barnes, George Lee. I am with the 20th century young divine. Are you? If not why not?

EVANSVILLE, IND.

(By Benita L. Morrow, 411 Olive St.)

Miss Rosetta Underwood is seriously ill at her home.----Mrs. Anna Jones is able to be up.----Mrs. Laura Shelby is somewhat improved.----Mrs. Ella Cullom was indisposed last week.----Mrs. Sallie Porter is still on the sick list.----Mr. Jack Williams, who was struck with an axe about two weeks ago, was buried Monday afternoon.----The Ladies' Home and Foreign Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Orendorf last Thursday afternoon.----Rev. Mrs. Holt was called to Chicago on account of illness a few days ago.----The gymnasium class is increasing its membership very rapidly. The directors wish all of the young men to join the class.----On Easter Sunday there will be baptizing at Liberty Baptist Church.----Mr. Horace Smith, of Chicago, was in the city last week.----Mr. Herman Smith, of Vincennes, spent several days in the city last week.----The Violet Court of the West Side is increasing its membership very rapidly. On last Tuesday evening ten ladies joined.----McFarland Chapel is making great preparations for its May fair the second week in May.----Mrs. Pearl Brazier, formerly Miss Smith, is in the city, the guest of her mother.----Mrs. Dodson and daughter Inez were in the city last week on their spring vacation.----Mr. Filmore Dawson is home again.----Mr. Elbert Cox and one of his college friends were in the city last week.----Mr. Milton Letcher spent Sunday in the city.----Mr. Charles Rayburn is at home with several ribs broken as the result of an accident a few weeks ago.

THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATER

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The Crown Garden is still the house of good shows. This week's bill is in keeping with the best that has been seen there.

Morton & Wilson.

Morton & Wilson are a pair of high class performers. Their business all through is bright and attractive. They have become favorites at the Crown Garden. Morton has won a reputation as a capable performer the country over. Miss Wilson is one of the good ones, ranking in the class of the best. For her style of work she will not be excelled. They sing "When Can I meet You Tonight?" Miss Wilson makes a splendid hit in "I Want a Regular Guy." Morton puts over "You Are up Today and Down Tomorrow" in good style. They close with the delightful "Princess Prance." The wardrobes are splendid. Miss Wilson is one of the prettiest women of the stage.

Princess Sotanki, Hindoo Magician.

Princess Sotanki does a bunch of good tricks which defy solution. Her "Burning Turban" is especially puzzling. Her wet and dry sand trick is also interesting and mystifying. She accomplishes much of her work with a "species" of incantation, outlandish prattle and the rattling of a tom-tom or hurdy-gurdy, which gives her the appearance of a daughter of Bombay or some other oriental port. Princess Sotanki does a bit of ambitious work when she suspends a young lady in the air—the levitation scene. Her work as a whole is about the same as that by many of the big magicians. She succeeds in deluding, that's her art. She has been seen at the Crown Garden before when she gave satisfaction as she does this time.

PRINCESS SOTANKI

PRINCESS SATANKA,
Hindoo Magician.

Glenn & Brogsdale, Comedians.

When Glenn & Brogsdale are on something is doing every minute. The boys are a good pair. Their fund is of a good order, consisting of talk that is of the continuous story order, rather than the usual style of shout questions and replies—repartee. They open singing "New Orleans" winding up with some good and funny talk about seasickness and so forth. They also sing "Colored Aristocracy" and "I Am Sick."

Fannie Wise, Songstress.

Fannie Wise, that delightful singer, is recovered to the stage to where she was thought to have been lost. She came back to her first love rather reluctantly, however, but it was a case for the best. She says that her heart is set on another work, and which she will do when a favorable opportunity presents. She appeared in three splendid song numbers, beautiful songs, beautifully done, and as if her heart was right there. They were "Isle De Amor," "One Wonderful Night" and "Nanina." She sang her way to all hearts. She was greatly received as she should have been.

HUGHEY BERNARD AND HIS FRENCH MODELS.

At the Majestic Theater, Indianapolis.

Hughey Bernard and his French Models, the newest burlesque show on the road, make their first appearance in this city at the Majestic Theater next Monday with those two funny comedians, Snitz Moore and Joe Mills at the head of one of the best organizations of this sort that ever toured the country. Snitz Moore is the author of the musical comedy which is presented in two acts, entitled "Vacation Days" and the management spared no expense to make this class among the best of the shows of this sort and that they have succeeded can well be attested to, by the enconiums which have been showered upon them by the critics in the large cities which have been fortunate enough to witness a performance of the "French Models." The company consists of Harvey Greene, the clever straight man; Hughey Bernard, that funny eccentric comedian; Miss Barry Melton, one of the prettiest women in burlesque today, whose charming voice has won her fame; Agnes Cameron, the stunning soubrette; Marie Revere, the lively, vivacious and chic soubrette; Carrie Young, a sprightly little miss and the beauty chorus of 20 French Models, who are bedecked in the gorgeous wardrobe provided for them by the management.

MISS BARRY MELTON,
With the "French Models."

MISS BESSIE WALKER, WASHBURN AND PIPER ROYALLY ENTERTAINED.

While in Indianapolis filling an engagement at the Crown Garden, Miss Bessie Walker was royally entertained by Mr. Harry Taylor at the residence of Mrs. Aletha Ellis, 1525 River st., West Indianapolis. Washburn says that Baby Seal's and Baby Floyd's mouths will water if he would tell them what good things they had. You know when I helped my plate three times that there was something doing. He says that he will be glad to hear from friends. At the Pekin, Cincinnati, this week. Washburn also says that Mr. Taylor, of the Menelik Bar, 532 Indiana ave., is a prince of good fellows. Stop in and see him and a fine time is guaranteed.

CINCINNATI (OHIO) NEWS.

New Freeman Quarters—John Dancer's New Venture—O. J. Dempsey Returns From West Baden—Pearl Howell Declared Mayor of Fifth St.

The Freeman representative took up his quarters at the Fishing and Hunting Club, 511-13 5th street, where the many friends of The Freeman can be entertained late and early in these parlors. Mr. Walter Johnson entertained his friend, Mr. Harry Massingale one afternoon last week. An orchestra was hastily formed from the many musicians who are members of this club and music and a luncheon made the afternoon enjoyable. Mr. Massingal left for Cleveland, Ohio, Alpha Theatre Sunday night.

It is rumored Mr. John Dancer, former prize fighter and saloon keeper, has branched out in a new field as a secret service agent. It is stated he took an important part in a sensational arrest last week in which the name of a personal friend of his was mentioned. We wish him success.

After taking a course of treatment Mr. Ollie Dempsey, the pioneer in theatrical enterprises among Negroes, returned to Cincinnati Saturday.

Mr. Pearl Howell, who is known as "Indian," met the Freeman and showed his friendship toward the greatest Negro journal by extending every courtesy necessary to complete a friendly relation that may mean something. Mr. Howell is a free-thinking man with the needed grit in his craw that make leaders. He is well liked and many declare him mayor of 5th street: It is whispered that Dud Finley and the Mayor are fond of midnight auto rides. Be careful, Dud.

Mr. B. Klein, who keeps a retreat for gentlemen at 5th and Smith street, became a Freeman subscriber and says that gentlemen of color are welcome to spend their idle hours.

We are sorry to say that Buzzin Burton forgot his obligation to the Freeman here. Let us hear from you, Burton.

Attorney Jackson and Mr. Ollie Dempsey are busily discussing a good meal together. "What's up?"

The Pekin.

The proprietor of this lovely little show house was all smiles as he watched the crowds surging and pushing to be first in the pioneer palace of amusement as seats are at a premium on Monday and the house staff wore encouraging smiles as the presence of the big fellow gave assurance that we are not to be deserted for a new enterprise in another city, and after throwing the chain to hold back the surplus the following show was presented:

Goodbar and Lewis—This act opened lively with a good song that took at once, then Mr. Goodbar commenced a harangue of drollery that brought laughs, Miss Lewis accepting his remarks with grace. Then Mr. Goodbar rendered a creditable solo that brought the house down. She returned with a neat buck dance. She is some dancer and very pretty. They closed with a song, getting the hands. Good singing and neat dancing make this good. Then the single of Ray Bailey. She is a clever actress. Her character of a lonesome country girl was done so well she was brought back. Miss Bailey's other two numbers were very strong. She will be a favorite here.

Sellman and Jackson came in the usual manner of double acts with a song and can sing. Miss Jackson is some singer and good looking brown. They close with "All Night Long" in a form it was not written in and it makes a decided hit. Another good act.

The Lincoln.

This massive house of Thespia heralded a feature entertainment and the result was a waiting throng of expectants who had not forgotten the treat of last week, Cross and Thompson, who opened the Ruby Theatre, Louisville. Tonight our only solace is that we have Walker and Lorraine in their stead. After Puggsley had a ragtime fit and Brown had nosed his noseophone we were introduced to Montgomery and Johnson. Miss Johnson opened with "The Sands of the Desert." She sings well. This act opens out the ordinary—after song short talk, then he goes into some clever buck dancing. They finish with a tango dance that wins this act the product of Mr. Brooks and Gale.

Lorraine and Walker, an incomparable sister act, do a neat song and dance. Miss Lorraine introduces a French song number with toe dancing that is tedious. Pinkie comes on with chicken reel, bringing us her whirlwind dance. It goes over. Marjorie returns. Pinkie joins. They finish dancing. Well costumed. They are great.

The Stock.

"Darktown School Days," with J. C. Piedgreon as teacher, George Taylor as Professor and Lillie Thornton, of the Thornton Sisters, as new faces. Miss Thornton's song went good. Mr. Taylor was next to make good with the chorus behind him. Trixy and inky are still favorites and, of course, Cliff Ross done the comedy and kept things in an uproar constantly. Another screaming act.

Dainty little Theresa Burroughs and the two little fellows, Gaston and Jackson, left the city for Pittsburgh to play week of the 30th.

J. C. Piedgreon opened his act here the last half at the Lincoln Theatre, and in my opinion did well. His act is full of comedy and he gets a great deal out of his three instruments. His character is a tramp. The audience heartily applauded when he left the stage. "Nice act."

M. Harper, who runs the Crescent Studio, is preparing to handle theatrical photography.

Mr. Ralph Hawkins i san old school friend of the Freeman reporter. They met after twenty years. Mr. Hawkins is United States Court Messenger and son-in-law to Hon. Geo. Hays.

Mr. Jerry Clemens has the distinction of being the only Negro brickmason belonging to a union in this city.

George Byrd is preparing Kid Castle, 122 pounds, for a bout.

Willis Carson is making good speed at his Sunday gait. Ask Jack Robinson.

Sam Francis, wire walker, will take to the fairs next fall.

Mr. Aaron Hirschman, a brainy young citizen, has become a Freeman reader. He is interested in the race.

A colored park for the summer is a possibility.

Kid Ash fights at Heuck's Theatre tonight.

Mr. Tom Gales, stage manager of the Lincoln, was out auto chasing with his boss. They had a lovely time, he says.

GOODBAR AND LEWIS.

This act has some features that is seldom found in our vaudevillians, a combination of voice, brain and accomplishments. Mr. Goodbar is a gifted singer, has learned comedy and understands just how to please. Miss Lewis has the looks, a neat dancer and quite a contrast to her tall comedian. Their act runs 15 minutes and gets away here with good hands. This can be easily declared a feature act.—S. C.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Mr. Beech McWilliams, of Decatur, Ala., is pending a few days in our town visiting his many friends.----Mr. E. L. Peacock is in town at the residence of Mr. J. H. Lovelcea.----Miss Lizzie Polk departed this life March 20, 1914, at her home. She has been sick for four months. Her remains were carried to Limrock, Ala., for interment. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Mary Polk and brothers Alfred and Charley Polk, and sister Annie Shoemaker. Her death was regretted by many. She was an obedient daughter and sister and was loved by all.

ROUTE.

Prof. Wolfscales' Band, with Barnum & Bailey Shows—Madison Square Garden, New York City, March 16 to April 19

Allen's New Orleans Minstrels, West Point, Ga., April 6.

J. M. Busby's Minstrels, Hinton, Okla., April 6; Anadarko, 7; Apache, 8; Lawton, A; Walter, 10; Temple, 11-12.

Dana Thompson's Sunny Dixie Minstrels, Boynton, Okla., April 6; Tahlequah, 7.

Alabama Minstrels, C. L. Erickson, Manager; Nowata, Okla., April 6; Wagoner, 7; Muskogee, 8.

J. Lubrie Hill's Darktown Follies, Pittsburg, Pa., week of April 6.

L. J. Stallo's Cotton Blossom Minstrels, Augusta, Ga., April 6-7; Aiken, S. C., 8-9.

Write a Jingel on The Freeman.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Alexander, Edward
Allen, Mack
Arnett, Walter.
Avery, Geo.
Alford, Johnnie
Banks, Jesse.
Bryant, Jay.
Brown, Willie.
Brockman, B.
Bryon, W. M.
Costella, Julian
The Colemans
Clark, Bonnie
Collins, Eldridge
Lolton, Willie
Day, Geo.
Edwards, B. E.
Elbon Jack.
Foxworth, Julius
Green, T.
Gordon, Batt.
Goines, Charles.
Gilmore Buddie
Grady, Frederick
Harrison, Frank.
Henderson, R. O.
Hicks, Mason
Homegay, Clyde
Johnson, E. L.
Johnson, J. R.
Jones, J. H.
Johnson, Juel.
Jones, Archie.
Jones, Arley.
LaRose, C. H
Lilliard & Lilliard
Dr. La Vita.
Mosby, Curtis
Mathews, Alvin
Mack, Billy.
Maloy, John
Miller, Joe.
Mayfield, W. H.
Martin, Jerry.
Marshall, Matt
McCue, Henry
Pugh, E. E.
Pearch, Wm.
Parlin, Charles
Parker, E.
Pope, Lee
Russell, Lester
Reeves, Jesse.
Robbins, E. H.
Palmer, L. M.
Rhodes, Samuel
Rabbit, Jack.
Redmond, Teddy
Radcliffe, B.
Stokes, LeRoy
Singleton, J. C.
Stafford, Harry
Sarrant, Geo. W.
Smith, A. J.
Two Sweets.
Stewart and Anderson.
Tillman, Page.
Turner, W. H.
Thomas, Ulyous
Tolliver, Alex.
Vaughn, W. T.
Wade, P. W.
Wogord, Cliff
Whale, James.
Williams Willie
Woods, Johnnie
Williams, W. M. L.
Whitman, Essie
Williams, Alexander.
Williams, J. H.
Williams, Wm. L.
Walker, M. W.
Youngblood, Chas.

Ladies' List.

Carter, Edna.
Davis, Mrs. Georgia
George, Miss Essie
Green, Cora.
Goodloe, Ella
Garland, Hattie
Jones, Miss Sallie
Jones, Mrs. Bessie
Lowe, Miss Bertha.
Lockhart, Ada
Lazzo and Dorsey
Kent, Jessie
Mill Sisters.
McQueen, Margaret
Murphy, Estella
Mack, Miss Hattie
McClure, Mamie
Nugent, Carrie.
Overstreet, Mrs. Carrie
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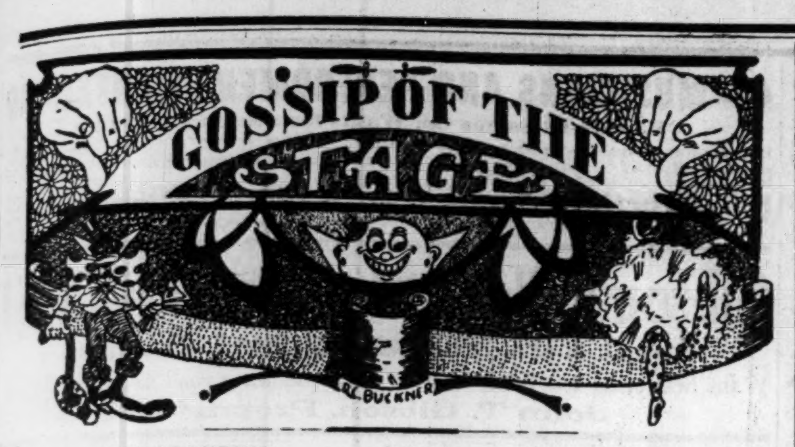

MEMORANDUM.

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STAGE NOTES.

Bob Slater, of the Circle Theater, Philadelphia, presents the following five big acts this week: Graham & Graham, comedy; Thomas Wess, acrobatic barrel jumper; Brown & Brown, "The Bell Boy and the Maid;" Alice Ramsey, "woman's suffrage."

Bert Whitman and her Sunbeams are meeting with success on the Keith circuit, after having finished at the Colonial, Harrisburg, Pa., Broadway Theater, Camden, N. J., Girard Theater, Philadelphia, Pa.. Miss Whitman was unforunate in losing her trunk by mistake of baggagemen at Philadelphia. It put her to a great deal of trouble. She has since found it, and everything is working smoothly again.

ON THE CONSOLIDATED COLORED TIME.

Week of April 6th:

Monogram, Chicago—Shattuck Comedy 4, Blanch Deas.

New Monogram, Chicago—Pelican Trio, Montgomery & McClain Le Belle Glenn.

Metropolitan, Memphis—Watts & Willis, Crosby & Namoa.

Star, Nashville—Good & Jackson, Nova Goff.

Crown Garden, Indianapolis—The Woodens, Sellman & Jackson, Smith & Mills, Sam Davis.

Alpha, Cleveland—Allen & Marshall, Carter Trio.

Dunbar, Columbus—Blanks Sisters.

Pekin, Cincinnati—Washburn & Piper, Cumby & Warfield, Agnes Peeler.

New Pekin, Dayton—Fannie Wise, Byrd & Byrd.

Booker Washington, St. Louis—Morton & Wilson, Ray Bailey.

Unique, Detroit—Joe Simms, Messengale & Crosby.

New Standard, Philadelphia—Stringbeans, May & May.

NEW YORK SHOW NEWS.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" at the Grand Brooklyn—Ora Criswell Undergoing Treatment for Her Eyes—Fiddler & Shelton Entertain Swelldom.

(By Billie Ward.)

It was rumored around moving picture producers at the Gaiety Bldg., that "In Old Kentucky" was going into pictures. The Dingwall-Litt Co., which controls the piece, informed the Freeman's correspondent, who was the only negro representative at Mr. Harry Six's office of the Blue Ribbon Shows, that several offers have been received to turn the play with its race horse scene into photoplay, but that nothing would be done in that line until it has outlived its usefulness on the road as a traveling legitimate attraction. "In Old Kentucky" has never been released for stock, despite the numerous requests for it. The play is now on the road, and is expected to be running again next season.

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Grundy and Lazzo are at Proctor's 23d St. Theater.

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Wily, Braxton and Carter are playing Proctor's, Newark, this week.

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Tommy Carter, late of the Farrell Taylor Trio, arrived in the city last week.

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The Kandy Kids and Odum & Williams open at the Lafayette the week of April 6th.

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Prof. J. Tim Bryan and his Down Home Orchestra of 20 pieces, are playing at the Jardin du Danse.

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Clifton Webb and Mae Murray, assisted by Tyler's Royal Tango Band, in their second week at the Palace Theater.

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Walter Wilkins' entire wardrobe was stolen at the Pioneer Theater. A pretty cheap thief to steal a man's wardrobe.

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Mr. Wm. A. Tyler has signed to play with his Royal Tango Band for the season with Miss Mae Murray and Clifton Webb.

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Howard & Mason played at Gloucester, Mass., last half of the week, with Brooklyn to follow, Olympic Theater week of April 6th.

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At the Empire A. C. on Friday, April 7th, Battling Jim Johnson and Sam Langford will box ten rounds, which should be interesting.

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The Byrds, Anthony and Sallie, are very busy these days, posing for life motion photo-plays. They have just returned from Greenfield, Mass.

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Leigh Whippler is still in town, and is swamped with offers to produce, but has every one guessing regarding his plans for the coming season.

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An old song entitled "Just Receiving Its Just Deserts," from some worthies on Lenox ave. All join in the chorus, "If I only Had a Job."

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Warren D. Church, the Boston Vaudeville Agent, has gone into bankruptcy. That's nothing new. Paul Floyd stays in that all the time seems to me.

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Towell & Towell were certainly welcome faces last week at the Lincoln Theater. Sam Lucas, "Dad" Kelley and young Wesley Morris had an old home week.

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Bradford & Geannette, first half, The Brant, Braithford, Canada; Crystal Theater, Toronto, Canada, the last half, with 10 weeks on the Griffin Circuit to follow.

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John W. Cooper, the polite ventriloquist, will shortly produce a new act entitled "Ventrilo mimicry." He is rusticating at his residence, 119 Wycffoq st., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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A. G. Brooks, the Cartoonist, was a caller at the Michaels Theatrical Booking Agency on Thursday last. He played the opera house Wallingford, the last half of last week.

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John Davis, for many years the engineer of the Alvin Theater, Pittsburg, who moved to the Nixon when the house was opened, to act in the same capacity, died Sunday last.

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C. H. Coffey, the Topical Talker, who is playing the Pekin Theater, Norfolk, Va., will open up shortly on the Klein, Owsley Circuit, booked by the Michaels Theatrical Booking Agency.

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Route of Harrison Stewart & Co., in "Fun in a Bootblack Parlor:" Pittsfield, Mass., March 26, 27, 28; New Britton, Conn., March 30, 31, April 1; Nixon Theater, Philadelphia, Pa., April 2, 3, 4.

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Miss Alice Ramsey, the Cyclonic Sunburst, plays at Circle Theater, Philadelphia, this week with the Lafayette Theater to follow. Booked by the Michaels Theatrical Booking Agency.

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Charles L. Gilpin, the protean character of the "Old Man's Boy" fame, is making preparations to present a tabloid company in a repertoire of musical sektches in the near future. Go on, Charley.

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The Majestic Trio arrived in the city on Thursday last, after closing 16 weeks in Massachusetts and Canada. James certainly looks the picture of health, and says, "Don't worry, we all grow old 'n time."

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Miss L. Fields, that accomplished pianist, is surely pleasing the Lafayette patrons with rhapsodic strains of Mendelssohn while the photo plays are being presented during the supper hours.

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Miller Bros.' Arlington's 101 Ranch, opens at Madison Square Garden April 20th for three weeks. Mr. Miller who is a Brooklynite, states that the 101 show will not play Brooklyn this year, owing to change of route.

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Dan Michaels is very busy these days rehearsing his big minstrel show to be put on for the Michaels Amusement Co., April 2d. Dan says his show will be bigger than Barnum & Bailey's, and. you know that's some show.

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Among the new music publishers in New York is Walter S. Montgomery, who is located at 258 W. 47th st. He is pushing his latest song hit "On the Great White Way." He is at present the only colored publisher in New York City.

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You would't think that in Boston, Mass., a bill to make February 12th Lincoln's birthday, a holiday in that State, was adversely reported on Tuesday last by the legislative committee on legal affairs. Would you? Well, it's so.

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"Bubber Lee" arrived in town on Monday last after playing a week at the Circle in Philadelphia. His first salutation was "Leigh, you owe me 15 cents." Leigh says, "Where from?" Bubber said, "The Blue Field Mountains of Virginia."

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That "roast" that was tendered to the writer of these columns made the correspondent's stock jump up 100 per cent., and was a valuable adjunct to not only the correspondent receiving many subscribers, but forcing him to order 100 copies weekly. Thanks, gentlemen.

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Jas. Austin, one of the oldest pianists in New York City, died in Kings County Hospital on Wednesday last. James was one of the pioneers with John C. Seville, the late Isaac W. Randolph and James Chappelle, one of the youngest old men still in the business.

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Miss Ora Criswell, of Criswell & Bailey, is in the city, and will undergo a treatment for her eyes, forcing this clever team to cancel all engagements for the coming week. This is the only lady duo that ever stopped the show at the Lafayette from its inception.

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Emmett Anthony can certainly knock out a colored audience, but some of that funny stuff in spots never would pass the "Comstock" requirements of the law. But I imagine Emmett thinks what's good enough for "Ba'am" is good enough for us: A bad idea.

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Hampton & Bowman arrived in the city Thursday last, having closed 14 weeks of the Quigley time. Mr. Hampton informs the correspondent that he is thinking very strongly of carrying an aggregation back to Europe with him. He can be addressed at 216 West 133d st.

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Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle, accompanied by instructors from the Castle House and James Reese Europe's National Negro Orchestra will begin a tour that will take them as far west as Kansas City immediately after Easter. Arthur Hopkins will be in charge of the tour.

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That was another raw one handed out by the Genial John Smith, manager of the Auditorium in Philadelphia, to Emmett Anthony and his stock company, after they had built the house up to its original standard, to cut 'em out for no obvious reason. If they hadn't made good, there would be a cause, but— Oh, well.

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Fidler & Shelton played at the Bijou in Fall River last Monday night and entertained the Harmony Club, one of the swellest white clubs in Boston, assisted by James Reese Europe's Society Orchestra. For a little recreation Messrs. Fidler & Shelton will take a gamble on the Colored Circuit. Playing Washington, St. Louis and Chicago.

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That vaudeville is growing cold in the F. F. Proctor Theaters is readily proven by the Proctor Theaters in Perth Amboy and Plainfield, the Lyric Newark, will run only straight pictures "from now on." These houses heretofore played 6 acts on a split week, also Proctor's Leland and Colonial in Albany, N. Y. "Things are getting close men."

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B. F. Keith, one of the largest theatrical magnates, died at Palm Beach, Fla., where he has been sick for some time. Mr. Keith is one of the first vaudeville managers to recognize the ability of the colored performer and for years has employed many colored acts to play his many houses. His death is bemoaned by the entire profession.

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Denton's Black & Tan Comedy Company was certainly busy rehearsing last week and left Monday morning for parts unknown. Denton can certainly dig up an angel faster than anybody as far as I can see and certainly get away with it faster than anybody in the show business, "believe me." The company numbers 25 people, band and orchestra.

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Such men as Strozier of Boston, Mass., should stop going around beating colored men out of hall rent for rehearsals, after these same colored men have furnished light and fuel for a gang of (I will say at this writing) ladies and gentlemen. They have been near enough to a stage to drive one way down home. Gentlemen, there is no class to that. Now think it over.

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The latest dope in colored theatricals is Mr. Frank Hammond, manager of the Columbia Theater, in Atlanta, Ga., is angling for the Wells House. "The Orpheum," which has been dark for a couple of seasons, he claims if he lands his trophy he will put his stock burlesque now at the Columbia there, and try a negro burlesque show for negroes only. Mr. Hammond surely has an eye to business.

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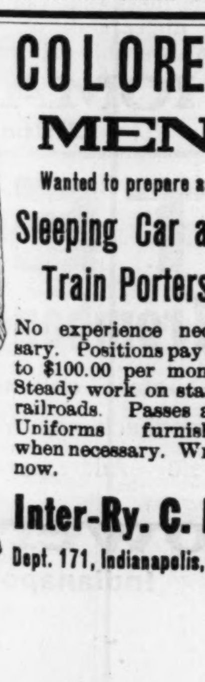
Noel Travers Stock Company presents to the patrons of the Grand Theater, Brooklyn, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," with Mr. Travers in the role of "Uncle Tom," this week. The colored contingent with Mr. Travers company are Frank Peabody, John Elliott, Jos. McCombs, Geo. Knox, Frank Brown, Anne Harris, Minnie Moore, Elizabeth Raymond, Amelia Walton and Mrs. Geo. Knox, "Sugar Lou."



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By Sylvester Russell.

The Burglar Alarm at the Grand—Tango Dances Continue to Draw.

Stansfield, Hall and Lorraine did not alarm in their comedy sketch except in the humor of a good Dutch comedian. "The Orpheus Comedy Four," poorly equipped vocally, had a good comedy finish. Aerial Waldrones; Valile, accordeonist; Miller, Parker & Selz played a return and the "Candy Store Girls" completed the bill. The last half of last week had Eva Westcott a good actress in "The Butterfly Wife" with a death scene. Manolo, who did a somersault on wire, was a great artist. Others were Briant & Mac and Duffin-Redcay troupe. The colored tango last Tuesday week, managed by James T. C. Barrett, had White and White, winners; Elijah and Alexander, Parker and Cross and Jones and Weber. The white tango last Friday week had Allen and Allen winners. Wallace and Keating introduced an Argentine which failed to attarct and O'Keefe and Johnson did a comic dance. Fleck Collins, who wears a smile as he grows popular, managed.

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Peat and Hayes at the New Monogram—Allie Johnson a Wire Expert.

There is always something stirring when Ed Peat, a good, legitimate comedian, and Ella Hayes come on the stage, and they repeated their success of last week at he other house. That Allie Johnson, of Johnson and Robinson, is a wonderful wire walker is best seen to be understood. Sam Davis repeated his big success of last week and Byrd and Byrd were greater than ever in a very good sketch. They were transferred to the Monogram. The tango, all colored, last Friday week, had Parker and Cross hesitation waltz and tango winners. Others were Donnelly and Silas and White and Johnson. Harry C. Jenkins ("Jinks") managed.

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Madge Clinton Captures at the Monogram—Nicholas & Logan Win Favor.

That Madge Clinton is a first-class actress as well as a good singer and dancer, was demonstrated in her character work in "There's a Mother Waiting" and the song, "Poper Don't Wan't no Easy Talking and Mama Won't Allow it Here." Nicholas and Logan were newcomers who won favor. The comedian is good and funny and the actress is clever. Emery and Williams was another good team. The comedian is an excellent dancer and the actress is pretty and Smith and Mills were fair.

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The Scarlet Letter Crowds the States.

The announcement that "The Scarlet Letter," a one-reel picture, would be seen last Sunday and that no children would be admitted drew crowds all day. Manager Maurice Calkins' new orchestra with Frank Tate, the violinist, was in excellent form. The feature at the Alamo was "The Wreck;" the Lincoln had "Wasted Years;" the Phoenix had "The Price of the Necklace," and the Fountain had big business. Manager Kaplan has engaged Charles Gardner, since the Pekin closed, as acting manager of the Washington. Next Sunday will have "Shadows" in two parts (gangster stories) and "The Earth Trembles."

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Stage Notes and Stroll News.

The Blackstone Quartet comprises J. William Coleman, second tenor and director; Earl McKinney, second tenor; William Dixon, first bass; H. D. Coleman, second bass. They do harmony and comedy singing.

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Rosa Lee Tyle, of Tyler and Girwood, was compelled to cancel her Pittsburg engagement on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Alice Payne.

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J. D. Lewis, the tailor and draper announces that he will move from his present store, 2928 State street, to 3116 State street, May 1st, where he will be pleased to see his customers, old and new.

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Junk L. Edwards has returned from New York, where he went to bury his mother, Mrs. Alice Edwards, who now rests in Cypress Hill.

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Horace George, clarionetist at the Monogram, who was recently offered an engagement over the Orpheum circuit to go to Europe by Ralph Dunbar, has decided not to go, owing to the excellence and coporture of his home life.

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Tabor and Green go out soon on the Theland time including Rockford, Rock Island, Davenport and Moline, then switch to the Butterfield time with the Orpheum Circuit to follow.

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The Fraternal Billiard Hall at 3123 State street, is doing nicely. Louis Jefferson, known as "Little Jeff," has the barber shop and Junk Edwards' shining parlor is also included. Arthur Metzger is manager.

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A Thespian Estimate.

The storms of Thespia are current waves
That dull actors don't understand.
Like a thief in the night
They would cowardly fight
The noted black newspaper man.

The storms of Thespia in public work
Is labor with little reward.
If a white critic errs,
You don't even hear slurs,
While actors of color applaud.

—Sylvester Russell.

NEGROES FIGHT PISTOL DUEL.

Charles Gilpin Violates Sullivan Law Law—Police Station One-half Block Away Refuses to Protect Children and Women from the Bullets—Fusilade of Bullets in the Public Streets.

Special to The Freeman.

NEW YORK CITY.—Chas. L. Gilpin, a character actor, late of the Negro Players, and Leon Williams, president of the Colored Vaudeville Benevolent Association, got into a heated argument at headquarters on Thursday last. The cause of the same, it is rumored, was a certain lady residing in 130th street, upon whom it seems Mr. Williams insisted on calling. As he beat a hasty retreat from the Club House, after being the victor of the fistic encounter, and turned into 130th street, he was followed by Gilpin, who just as Mr. Williams was coming from the lady's apartment, opened fire with a Colt's automatic, and then started to beat a hasty retreat. Though cries of murder rang incessantly from windows and women fainted in the street and the police on fixed post—thirty feet away—refused to arrest Gilpin until he started back to the musical headquarters, when he placed Gilpin under arrest and hastened him off to the police station in a prison van.

When araigned before the Magistrate, Gilpin produced a permit for a scene to be enacted on the public streets for a Life motion picture concern. Now what do you think of that—foiled again.

ST. LOUIS THEATRICAL NOTES.

(By Herbert T. Meadows.)

There is plenty of talent showing at the Booker Washington Theater this week, but it is not fully appreciated on account of the scarcity of that snap and ginger so essential to the success of a vaudeville performance.

Miss Rosa Gordon has a very sweet and clear soprano voice and renders three numbers very effectively. Her humming specialty is particularly delightful.

Watts and Willis have a good line of humorous talk. Miss Willis has a remarkably strong voice, of good caliber and is generously applauded. Watts does some good dancing and scores with his eccentric comedy.

Crosby and Neoma have a good singing and dancing act, and create much merriment with their rapid-fire dialogue.

Cumby and Warfield open with a clever dice pantomime accompanying the song "Gambling Man." Cumby shows to advantage in this, as in his character song, "Dr. Quack." Wareld, as the dandy man, does well singing "Brown Skin." They close with a novel buck dancing specialty that is artistic as well as humorous and registered a storm of applause.

Mr. Turpin has installed twenty fans for the summer season, and the Booker Washington is to be as cool as a cucumber during the hot nights.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Aida Overton Walker's girls left Seattle, Wash., for Vancouver, B. C., and will open next Monday for the week and week of April 6th will be at Portland, Ore., and then to San Francisco week of April 13th.

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Wm. Robbins, formerly of Burns & Robbins, states that he is forming a new act with seven girls and Al Spence the dancer.

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Chas. Anderson, the character singer anr yodler, is in his sururban home resting at 223 Green street, Birmingham, Ala.

Thomas A. Brooks is with the Girls from Happyland Co., Empire Theatre, Albany, N. Y., with Boston to follow.

A. Lincoln Harris, author and reader of Shakespeare, and other classics, was in Indianapolis this week in the interest of his profession. As an author his productions are "The Bogus Prince of Hayti," "A Cuban Mystery" and an "African King." He resides in Chicago when at home.

Eddie Stafford, of the J. Leubrie Hill Follies, lost his mother, who died at her home in Indianapolis, Thursday, March 26th, after an illness of four years. Her malady was convulsion of the nerves. She leaves a husband, three children, three sisters and one brother. Her children are Eddie, Bessie and Edna. Eddie left last Monday night to rejoin the Follies at Buffalo, N. Y.

Sunny Dixie Minstrels added another big night to their list when they showed at Muskogee, Monday, March 23. In spite of the fact that two other smaller minstrel shows were billed to show Muskogee during the week we turned people away. One of the other minstrel shows failed to show up. Don't know what the reason was. We show at Tahlequah, Okla., April 7. Regards to all friends. Everybody well.

Stovall & Stovall closed two successful weeks at Louisville, Ky. The public declares the act much strongr than ever. The female member of this act is using Mr. Stovall's latest song hit "One Man Has Broke My Heart, I'll Never Love Another One," and I must say she put it over nicely. See Freeman next week for the history of Mr. Stovall's life and other little things concerning the Stovall & Stovall act.

After playing the Dixie Theater week of 16th, the following week being the week of the 23d, Gus Baker, of the team of Baker & Brown visited his father, Mr. Jack Murphy, at Danville, Va. While celebrating his return they were joined by the team of Chadwick & Crippen. A reception was given by his father in the honor of his son's return, at which Miss Crippen, being the only lady present, played as cook and played it to a T. Gus is a sure biting baby. Baker & Brown send regards to all in and out of the profession. All people looking for the Freeman can see Wesley Straitor, stage manager, Columbia Theater, Danville, Va.

OLLIE DEMPSEY IN INDIANAPOLIS

Ollie Dempsey, proprietor of the Pekin Theatre, Cincinnati, was in the city last Saturday enroute to his home from West Baden where he had been for a short stay for the benefit of his health. While in West Baden he spent the time enjoyably. He expressed himeslf as under obligations to Messrs Otis Burnett, J. L. Foewler, Champ Rice and others for courtesies shown Mr. Dempsey remembered Miss Mabel Smith nicely, contributing to her campaign for queen of the carnival, which is to be held in this city in the near future. He returns home improved in health.

NOTES FROM WOLFSCALE'S BAND.

Now Playing at Madison Square Garden, New York City, with Barnum & Bailey's Greatest Show on Earth.

Prof. James Wolfscale and his concert band of thirty-two pieces opened their season at Madison Square Garden with Barnum and Bailey and are one of the features of the big new spectacle, "The Wizard Prince of Arabia," appearing as Arabian musicians, and taking Professor Wolsscale and his full band march out on the big spectacle part in the finale of the big ballet dance, speectacle stage and play "The General Felix Agnus March," for the parade of the many freaks, headed by Princess Wee Wee, the little colored doll lady, the smallest woman in the world. Also there are sixty genuine Samolians from British East Africa, take part in the parade. This stupendous spectacle was written and produced by Mr. Alf T. Ringling and is said by press and public to be the greatest production of its kind. Prof. Wolfscale and all members of his band are enjoying the best of health. Prof. Wolfscale sends best regards to James Harris, Pop Adams, and John Mason; Earl Terry sends regards to Richard and Pringle Co. All members send best regards to their many friends.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

Miss Alice Gorgas was the headliner this week. Miss Gorgas looked well, dresed more than well, and sang well, just like person with her mission would be likely to sing. But all of her many abilities and attractions were lost in the magnitude of that "something" by which she makes a song contagious. One is not startled when a singer or comedienne succeeds in "gutting a song over," for now-a-days that is done with great frequency and to the occasional irritation of multitudious ear-drums. But it occurred to your correspondent that it was at least too much when a poorly man at my left, afteer listening talerantly to the first verse of Miss Gorgas "Have a Heart," commenced humming on the second second and made himself conspicious. She had not only "put the song over," but she neatly had fitted it around the vocal chords of those who showed this violent and totally unexpected interest in the situation of the heart. During the show and after the show everybody was humming this popular song. When the public becomes deeply interested in any case, problem or situation, the result, solution or analysis of said case problem or situation, is but a matter of days. And for that reason, as you sit watching Miss Alice Gorgas singing "Have a Heart", at Gibson's New Standard Theatre, you then realize, as she swings along the footlight dotted foyar of her scene with the same—dare one say old—come and join me manner that has bulged the pockets of many song-birds for a long long time, is the reason why she was so successful during her recent trip south with the negro players. The two sweets have accumulated a large store of jokes and laugh producers and dance well. The Missess Odium and Woods gave a varied entertainment including dancing and singing. Joe Sandifer Dus put in their second week with that old time relish. There is merit in the work of the Kandy Kids and they created great applause. "The Sixth Commandment," a dramatic sketch engaging the services of six persons and starring Joe Bright, as Ralph Russell, the wayward son, and unfolding a tale of the underworld, was one of the well acted numbers on the bill and was well received. Negro motion pictures are used exclusively, and the audience applauded heartily after every scene, and after the show surrounded Manager Gibson's private office to congratulate him on his endeavor to give them the best.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theater, Lew W. Henry, Mgr.; Martin & Jones, Leona Marshall, Alice Owens, Howard Theater, Andrew J. Thomas, Mgr.: Kenner & Williams, Joe Bright Players, Delmore & Arto. Foraker Theater, Davis Bros., Mgrs.: Black Swan. Chelsea Theater, D. Gentry, Mgr.: Francis Barton & Picks.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theater, W. J. Coulter, Mgr.: Murial Ringold, Original Rags, The Hillmans.

Danville, Va.—Columbia Theater, W. A. Donlevy, Mgr.: Delyons & Jeffrey, Gonzell White.

Roanoke, Va.—Boston Theater, H. D. Jones, Mgr.: Chadwick & Crippen, Blanche Young.

Lynchburg, Va.—Ford's Theater, R. F. Johnson, Mgr.: Johnson & Britton, Frank Williams.

Wilmington, N. C.—Brooklyn Theater, Wilmington, N. C.: Ricks & Talbert, Other Acts.

New Bern, N. C.—Dixie Theater, New Bern Corporation, Mgr.: Jones & White, Hester Kenton.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Circle, Theatre, Bob Slater, Mgr.: Brown and Brown, Eddie Green, Other Acts.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Star Treatre, Abe Minsky, Mgr.: Little Trio, Taylor & Price, Jake Hellens.

Dayton, Ohio—Dunbar Theater, Albert W. Hubbard, Mgr.: Miller & Bigeau. King Williams, J. C. Priedgeon.

Cincinnati, Ohio—Lincoln Theatre, Marion Brooks, Mgr.: Lorraine & Pinkey, Stock Co.

Columbus, Ohio—Dunbar Theater, E. B. Dudley, Mgr.: Hendricks & Lee, Hugh Turner.

Louisville, Ky.—Ruby Theater, Mrs. S. H. Dudley, Mgr.: Thompson & Cross, Maude Jones, Green & Green.

Washington, D. C.—Majestic Theater, Frank Brown, Mgr.: Joplin & Seaz, Green & Pugh, Leonce Lazzo Johnson.

TWO PERFORMERS MEET ON STATE STREET IN FRONT OF MONOGRAM THEATER.

First Person—Hello bub, how is everything?

Second Person—Not so good; don't seem to get no work.

First Person—Why don't you write S. H. Dudley?

Second Person—Thought I would, but I hate to go South.

First Person—That ain't nothing; all of the acts are going now.

Second Person—Dat's what I heard, and say, bub, where is Green & Pugh.

First Person—Why, man, didn't you know they was on that time? They been gone about 12 weeks.

Second Person—Have Dudley got that much time?

First Person—Why, man, he is got more than that for the right acts.

Second Person—Well, what can Green & Pugh do? They don't Ball the Jack.

First Person—No, but you ought to hear dem guys sing.

Second Person—I know they can sing; I seen them at the Monogram.

First Person—And do you know they have played the Howard theater in Washington two times in 4 weeks?

Second Person—Well, dem boys sure has got 'em, so I guess I will go home and write to S. H. Dudley.

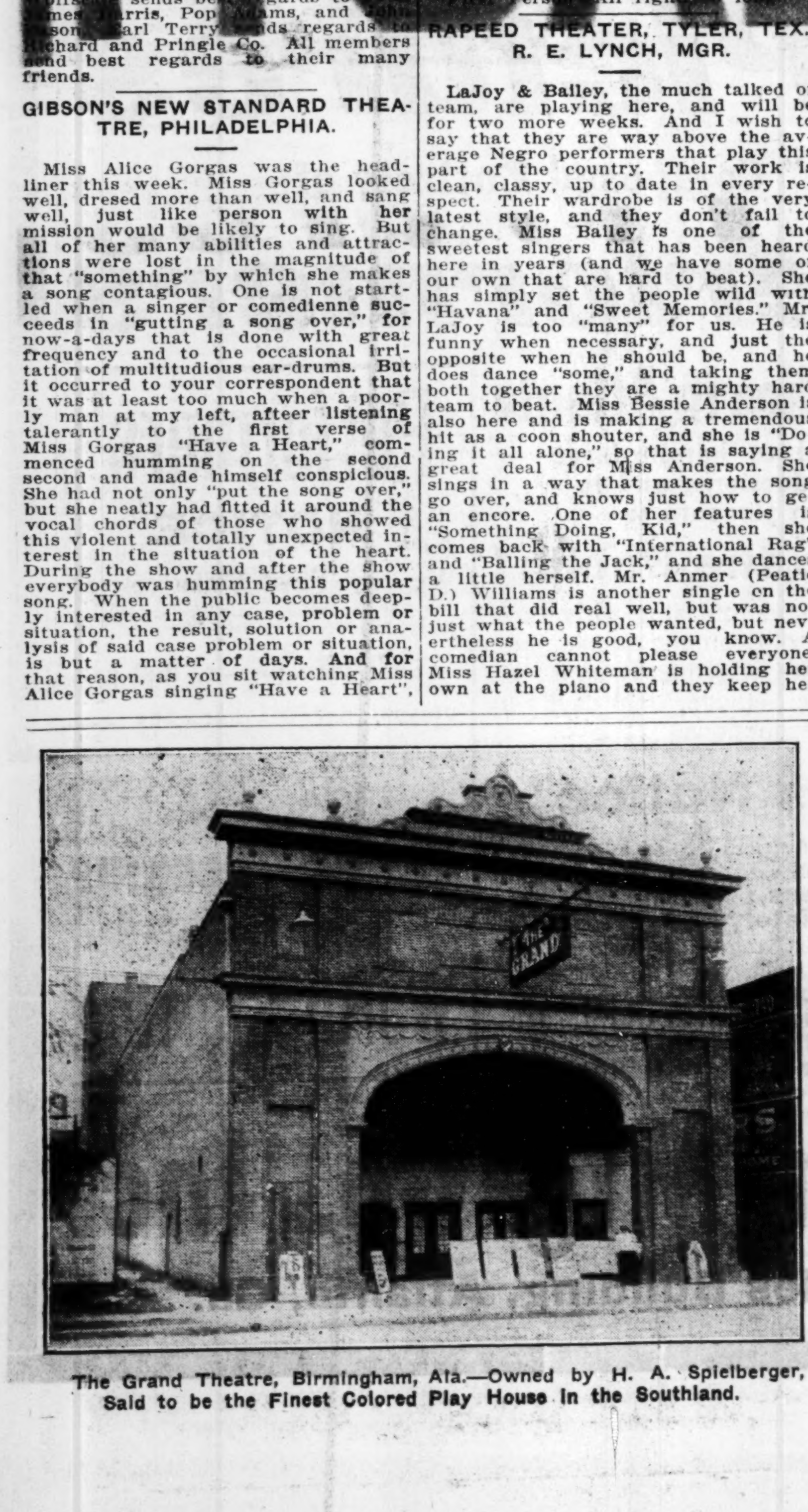
First Person—Dat's right; as he is the guy to get work from.

Second Person—Well, I guess I'll see you some more, bub.

First Person—All right, so long.

RAPEED THEATER, TYLER, TEX., R. E. LYNCH, MGR.

LaJoy & Bailey, the much talked of team, are playing here, and will be for two more weeks. And I wish to say that they are way above the average Negro performers that play this part of the country. Their work is clean, classy, up to date in every respect. Their wardrobe is of the very latest style, and they don't fail to change. Miss Bailey is one of the sweetest singers that has been heard here in years (and we have some of our own that are hard to beat). She has simply set the people wild with "Havana" and "Sweet Memories." Mr. LaJoy is too "many" for us. He is funny when necessary, and just the opposite when he should be, and he does dance "some," and taking them both together they are a mighty hard team to beat. Miss Bessie Anderson is also here and is making a tremendous hit as a coon shouter, and she is "Doing it all alone," so that is saying a great deal for Miss Anderson. She sings in a way that makes the song go over, and knows just how to get an encore. One of her features is "Something Doing, Kid," then she comes back with "International Rag" and "Balling the Jack," and she dances a little herself. Mr. Anmer (Peatie D.) Williams is another single on the bill that did real well, but was not just what the people wanted, but nevertheless he is good, you know. A comedian cannot please everyone. Miss Hazel Whiteman is holding her own at the piano and they keep her busy before the show starts playing her own composition, "The Headache Rag." Mr. Lynch wants to hear from clean performers at all times, and the ghost is seen every Saturday night. Address all mail Box 362, Tyler, Tex.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THE DARKTOWN BUTTERFLY MINSTRELS.

(By W. L. Eldridge.)

Waskom, Tex., March 2. 1914.

The Freeman Publishing Co.:

The Darktown Butterfly Minstrels, under the management of W. E. Pace, played three nights at the Idle Hour Theater, Marshall, Tex., to good audience each night. Mrs. Laura M. Eldridge, wife of W. L. Eldridge, joined the show at Long View, Tex., February 24th, and is pleasing the audience each night when she sings "There Comes My Dady Now." Prof Napoleon Black closed his engagement with the show February 28th. Buddie Helms would like to hear from Christy Moore. Mr. James E. Drysdale, world's greatest Negro magician, joined the show in Marshall, Tex., February 28th. While in Marshall Mr. W. A. Gregory, a student of the Wiley University, was surprised at the sudden appearance of his nephew, W. L. Eldridge, who met and made many friends in Marshall. Mr. Clifton Boyd, who was recently married in Beaumont to Miss Iris McDonald, says, "Boys, I'm married. Prof. D. R. Hull write W. L. Eldridge at once.

QUEEN DORA SIGNS UP WITH DUDLEY

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MOBILE, Ala., March 20.—Queen Dora just received contracts to be one of the feature acts over the Dudley Circuit at a top salary, as she is a box office attraction. Queen closed Saturday, Feb. 14th, after a seven weeks' stay in Mobile at two theaters, the Gayety and the beautiful Pike. Good luck to the proporietor and the managers, Mr. McNiff and Mr. Jimmie Wise, that good hearted fellow that always wears a big broad smile for all the performers; the man that bills your act like a circus. Queen Dora made many friends in Mobile, and they did not want to see her leave, and hope to see her return in the near future. On the 10th of March a party of friends gave her a grand reception that will be long remembered. She will open week of 16th at the Pekin theater, Montgomery, Ala.; the week of 23d, Selma, Ala.; Pekin theater, Mr. Dreyfus, manager. Will open on the Dudley time April 6th in Louisville, Ky., at the Ruby. Regards to all.

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WHY THERE HAS NOT BEEN A COLORED WOMAN A MUSICAL COMEDY OR FARCE COMEDY STAR.

(By Juli Jones, Jr.)

I have been asked by no less than twenty different people in the last six years that are deeply interested in the uplifting of the colored girl on the stage, this one question which is not hard to answer, but has to be so broad that one can not answer without hurting the poor colored showman's tender feelings. Yet the truth must be told some time. The reason will run into the hundreds. First, no colored girl has been pushed that had enough reasonable sense to keep her head and respect her benefactor long enough to reach the second round in the ladder to footlight fame to make an artistic dramatic star. It takes looks, grace, culture, cosmopolitan refinement, good deportment on and off the stage. That's the first principle. A star must have some real stage ability, a student willing to work. A colored girl will have ten times the trouble a white girl would have to reach the top of course at the present time and for a long time to come, no colored girl will have a chance to show her talent for those that have had a chance in shows and vaudeville have proven themselves the most ungrateful set that could be presented to the amusement public. There's not one case but that every woman that amounted to anything throwed down their maker or pusher in the long run. On the other hand the bosses and stars have done their share. They have over dressed the vaudeville [illegible] with diamonds and other unused to things that turned their heads. The finish they pointed out as so and so wife what she used to be. In the regular organized company the limit was reached. There's as much difference from the management of a colored company and that of a white as there is between day and night. A white manager buys a play, engages a producer. They go over the play and pick from the field of actors that are worthy of playing the parts, engage their talent. No one knows or cares who's playing with them. They are too busy learning their part until the first rehearsal is called. Every one works his best. The ones that do well are pushed. That's in short how the white man has made the theatrical business the biggest success in the world. The manager hires and fires, pays off and takes in. It's nobody's business on the stage. The colored man runs his show different. With no exception up to unless it was Sam T. Jack and John W. Isham. The first thing the past manager did was to hire his comedian then let the comedian pick out his cast. No matter how much talent a woman or man had if the comedian did not like them or thought they might make a big hit, they had no chance to join the company. The comedian would pick out some one to write the play just as the comedian wanted, then in many cases dab their names on the program as part writers. Would use the excuse of the only one exception, that Geo. M. Cohen does it, don't he? Pretty poor excuse. Geo. M. Cohan is a playwriter. Writes plays that any one can star in. A colored show should the producer or the management see some part in it which needs remodeling, there has to be an all-night consultation held with the star to get his consent to better the show. The answer is, today there's not a colored show on the road that's playing big city time. Not a showman got a dollar. In the vaudeville field they killed themselves, the men walking off the stage and flirting with women not their color. The women killed themselves by bad deportment. Today it's a question if there's one colored woman in the business that could get twenty weeks big time single. It's a pretty big assertion but I will have to be shown. The first thing that I noticed was that the days were limited for colored big companies. Happened in Chicago a few years ago: one of the biggest companies ever organized had a special act for one night during their run at one of the loop big houses. The show had to be cut down and arranged to fit a house party. To my surprise one of the leading ladies was staging the show while the regular stage manager and the writer of the show and the two stars looked on. Queen of Sheba and Joan of Arc might have been great helps and leaders, but that was a thousand years ago. The reason of the why there has not been colored women stars in pointing out some of the many short comings of the colored girl in the show. Business that prevents them from reaching the highest point. Some will readily point out the many white women who have raised fame with a shady reputation. That has been the case plenty of times in this country and Europe. They were white women with thousands. Stars we haven't had one yet. The first one will have to come of the high order presented by real manager, play by a play writer, not by some dictating actor. No actor is a play writer or manager. No manager is an actor. Plays, producers and managers can make actors and actresses. Actors cannot make plays or make another actor. Every actor and actress could die today. The business would still go on. Should all the play writers, managers, producers die and plays destroyed, it would take some time to replace them. Actors and actresses are the fourth essential thing to the business. From the shortsighted view of the Negro in the show business it's a general comment that they are dying. Show business never will die. The people have to be amused. The colored showman can't produce. The public is tired of seeing the ugliest, lowest roustabout making lover to the prettiest girl in the show. These things might look funny, but it's so far from keeping in actual life. The color line in the colored show business has gone beyond the limit. The rule has been all yellow girls, regardless of what they could do or what their character. A talented dark girl has not got a chance. The big ruling power comedian will say, I want my show chorus a Broadway beauty. They forget that unless Negroes support Negro shows they would not get from one city to another. The Negro race is mixed colors. The shows depend upon all colors for their financial support. Well, give them their mixed showmen. Let the public have a woman star. The black face roustabout has used up his day and done nothing. Let the world see if the rising generation can do things that will be a credit to the race. The burnt cork of the minstrel comedian has held the middle of the stage forty years. Give the young colored girl a chance. Allow the amusement world to judge. The time has come.

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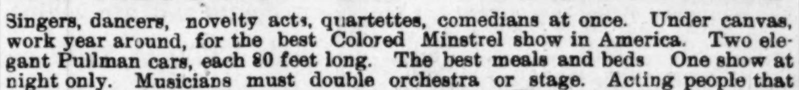
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ALL ABOUT BOB FITZSIMMONS

The Old Warrior and His Son in Indianapolis Last Week—Makes a Fine Speech—Pleases Audience in a Three-round Exhibition Bout With Bob, Jr.

(By Billy Lewis.)

Ex-Champion heavyweight, Bob Fitzsimmons, is holding his own as to popularity among his class. At this time he is the most talked of among his bunch. John L. Sullivan, perhaps, enjoys the greatest popularity without effort to push it. Corbett manages to keep well in the spotlight through his sport opinions seen in the newspapers from time to time. His letters and articles and judgment are proof that he is "Gentleman Jim" as he is called. What he says is always worth listening to. Jim Jeffries don't seem to care about notoriety. It took considerable ingenuity to drag him from retirement, although up until the fatal fight he had a clean bill as the greatest of them all. He came near being another Cincinnatus of the West. For the sake of poetry his failure was lamentable. His legatee Burns, has not drawn as much water as the others.

Fitzsimmons has a peculiar hold on the affections of the American people. In the first place his appearance in America and his winning fight was spectacular, theatrical. In the grand old man is a fine strain of poetry, romance, art. One has only to hear him speak, to hear his beautiful colorature, his vehemence, when his soul vaults like the bounding over the pole by a college athlete. I have mentioned this before. One of the publications said that he made a carefully prepared speech. It would suggest that it was carefully conned and learned. It may have been so in part, as all speeches are, but the fire resides in that old Cornishman and has always resided there. Fitzsimmons pushes his talent a little, and in this respect he is not different to all of those that have gone before who found themselves blessed with a similar talent. I would rather hear him speak than to see him "fence."

His life in review, some came to see.
They cheered his maneuvers quite lustily;
These were done to a nicety.
But for me, Ah! for me,
That soulful speech of dexterity.

Had pleasure of laying eyes on the grand old man—old rebel hearted Fitzsimmons—as I have before referred to him. This because he has so strenuously bucked the New York commission because it declared him too old to fight. Only this week the commission finally decided against him. Here follows the dispatch:

NEW YORK, March 27.—The Appellate division of the Supreme Court today affirmed the order of the lower court which in effect prohibits Robert Fitzsimmons from boxing in public in New York state. Because of his advanced age the State Athletic Commission ruled that Fitzsimmons should not re-enter the ring.

Once a man, twice a child is what one naturally concludes after that decision. None of us think any too well of Fitzsimmons' ability to come back, but it's a strange ruling that forbids the effort. Well, I guess it goes along with some of those rulings where drug stores are forbidden the sale of certain drugs. It looks as if a man might buy what he wants just so he does not mean to give it to another man. For my part I am nothing with the ruling. If a man choses to fight, within the law, until he is a hundred, it ought to concern him alone.

Fitzsimmons said in his speech that he could whip any one of the present crop of "white hopes." His declaration was made because of the bad showing the effort to redeem the title. He was preparing to back up his assertion when lo! he is "enjoined" by the commission.

When told of his debarment from New York prize rings by the decision of the high court of New York, Fitzsimmons was not greatly surprised.

"Boxing has been my means of a livelihood and in view of the fact that the game is legitimate in New York they are trying to cheat me out of a living," said Bob. "They can bar me, but I can still fight and will take Bob Jr. to England in six months and I'll show 'em what this old man can do."

Perhaps the commission has really done the veteran fighter a service. At any rate his cake is dough in this country.

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The ex-champion's hope is in his son, whose appearance on the stage was signal for considerable cheering. The "old man" is wrapped up in the boy, just as much as David was wrapped up in Absolom or Hector in Astaynax. We have no records of either of these scions of their father's nobility doing anything like what brought their forbears fame.

The young man who is all that is claimed for him by his father as to bulk, dimensions. He is a human dreadnaught as to build all right, but he may prove too massive, ponderous, lacking the ability essential to the get up of a winning fighter. Above all this must be the endowment of the spirit. The boy who is only 18 was referred to as husky in one of the daily papers. Another intimated that he was sluggish. He certainly did not show the tiger like agility that was expected. There is plenty of him, but the distribution does not impress one as to formidability.

This may have been because he did not care to bruise up his old man. He gave some right smart taps at times, but he seemed rather careful. One does not get an observation free of prejudice because of this carefulness. He looks as if he might hit a blow like a thunderbolt, even if he does look a little slow. If he can take on the science he will do about what his father claims for him.

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Dick Farrington, a sport writer, of Indianapolis, had this to say:

Robert Fitzsimmons, the famous "Ruby Bob" of pugilistic fame, who was king pin of the heavyweights in the late nineties, arrived in the city yesterday for a week's engagement at the Majestic Theater. Lanky Bob is an interesting old man of the ring, but he now travels under the name of Robert Fitzsimmons, farmer, Duellen, N. J. The former champion is "strong" for style, and chose the Severin Hotel as his place of abode while in the city.

The veteran, who at one time monopolized middleweight, light heavyweight and heavyweight boxing title, is introducing a new "White Hope" —Bob Fitzsimmons Jr., an 18-year-old son, whom old Fitz believes is destined to re-establish the famous name of Fitzsimmons in the boxing world.

Fitz is enthusiastic over the youngster. So enthusiastic, in fact, that he believes the boy will be able to whip any heavyweight in the country in a year's time. "He's got the old stuff," says Bob, "and there'll be another Fitzsimmons heading the heavyweight parade in a mighty short time."

The youngster is built along different lines than his famous dad. He has large legs, a pair of sturdy arms and a heavy chest. It can hardly be said that he appears to possess any of the ability which made Bob Fitzsimmons Sr. the best of all fighters at one time. Little could be gained of the younger Fitz's knowledge of ring generalship in the three tame rounds which he boxed with his dad. He has a left which he shot into his dad's face several times, but we will not know until he gets into actual ring warfare what he can do.

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One of the daily publications had this to say:

Robert Fitzsimmons, former heavyweight champion of the world, opened a week's engagement at the Majestic theater yesterday, accompanied by his son, Bob, Jr., who is said to be one of the promising white hopes of the country. Lanky Bob, the same old spotted Cornishman, opened his act with a monologue that showed careful preparation and closed it by boxing three rounds with his son. Bob was enthusiastically received yesterday by the fistic fraternity and the sporting public in general, but the main interest was in his much-advertised son.

While Bob, Jr., certainly has the build necessary for a good white hope, he appears to be fat and slow, although he did not show to best advantage in his sparring match with his father, seeming to be afraid to hit the older man. In his monologue, the former champ says his son in only eighteen years old and that he has never received a boxing lesson in his life, but that before long, the boy will be sent out to conquer the heavyweight fighters of the world. The son will have to show a lot of improvement over his present form before he goes out to "conquer the world" or he will be likely to suffer the same fate that other white hopes have who have received much advance advertising. Fighting in his present form, the younger son would hardly be a match for Jack Dillon.

Last night the younger fighter was initiated into the order of the Buffaloes at the regular weekly "wallow" at the Hotel Severin. Colonel Russell B. Harrison conferred the degree.

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Kid Fields, of Indianapolis, wishes it to be understood that he is in the featherweight division of the fighting business. He is willing to meet all comers in his class.

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Sam Langford of Boston defeated Jim Johnson of Philadelphia in a ten-round bout in New York March 26th. Langford weighed 200 pounds, twenty-six lighter than his opponent, but outpointed Johnson in eight of the rounds. Johnson took the third round by a good margin and held Langford even in the fourth. Langford showed some of the his old-time prowess and the stories that he has gone back to a mere shadow of his former self is disproved. He seemed a great deal like "the white hope destroyer" of a year or two back.

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Jim Thorpe, Indian, is the greatest athlete in the world. He has proved it at almost every style and kind of going. He won the all-around championship during the Olympic games. He had played some baseball, but was only a mediocre player, and a wretched hitter in school and in the little team with which he played and professionalized himself. McGraw concluded that Thorpe could run faster, throw harder, jump farther and higher and was stronger than any athlete in the world. With that material he set out to make a real baseball player.

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E. S. King, president of the Black Pirates of Galveston, Tex., would like to hear from some of the fast baseball clubs—clubs of Chicago, St. Louis, Kanss City. Galveston is a good baseball town, the best in Texas. The Pirates have the privilege of the league park. Will open April 19, 20, 21. Mr. King says that all towns have colored clubs. Now is the time to write for engagements. Address E. S. King, 1413 29th st., Galveston, Tex.

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When the round-the-world trip started Jim Thorpe had the opportunity of watching different kinds of ball players, and he suddenly cut loose and commenced to execute the things he had seen the famous players do. Playing of the Indian proved the sensation of the tour, and the veterans en route homeward now are writing wonderful stories of the Indian's ability to play the game and declare he probably will "set the league afire."

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MEMPHIS.—Jack Dillon won his fight with Knockout Brown, of Chicago, March 23d, although he did not extend himself at any time. Dillon has a match with Battling Levinsky, in Butte, Mont., the latter part of next month, and it was said that the Indianapolis fighter was too much concerned about his coming match to take many chances with a man of Brown's quality. However that may be, Dillon refused to fight, and constantly bored in, shaking up the Greek's insides with terrific body punches. Referee Haack awarded the decision to Dillon. Jack did not show half so well last night as he did here a month ago, when he knocked out one of the most promising middleweights in this section of the country in three rounds.

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John L. Sullivan has decided that the real holder of the title is John Barleycorn. John L. predicts, however, that the day is coming when King Alcohol will be dethroned.

"There has been a great change in the last 30 years," says the old ring gladiator, who is now engaged in vaudeville. "Nowadays a man can't drink and get away with it as he could once. The workman or clerk who drinks is not wanted now, no matter how good he is. I punished some of the stuff myself, but I quit it just nine years ago. I don't need it and I know blamed well that it doesn't me."

Asked the much mooted question as to whether he was ever really champion of the world, John L. said:

"I licked Paddy Ryan for the American championship didn't I? And after going through the rest of them I licked Jake Kilrain for the championship of the world, didn't I? I refused to fight Peter Jackson in public because he was colored, but I offered to take him on in private for the championship and a side bet of any amount and he refused, didn't he? Well, that ought to settle it?"

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CHICAGO.—Joe Choynski, former prizefighter and now director of the Pittsburg Athletic Club, discovered that $10,000 had been left him in the will of Jim Pon, a Chinese, whom the boxer befriended years ago. Jim Pon died a few days ago, and his sons, New Ying and Bert Ying, unable to open the safe in their father's restaurant, sent for Choynski. The boxer brought a man who in a few minutes opened the steel doors, disclosing Pon's will. It named Choynski as executor and guardian of Jim Pon's sons. Choynski's kindness to Pon was in sending his boys to school and otherwise helping them at various times.

WHO IS THE CHAMPION NEGRO FEATHERWEIGHT?

Kid Fields Says That He Is—Young George Dixon Says "I Don't Think."

Dear Sir—Observing Mr. Fields advertisement in last week's Freeman, I feel it my duty to extend to you the fact that I am quite interested in his story and don't think it fair for him to call himself colored champion featherweight, when he has failed to defeat such men as Billy McClure and One Round Bess. The above mentioned boys have both made rapid strides and it looks as if both of them are bidding strong for a place among the top notchers, and I believe Bess to be the better of the trio. In view of the fact that Bess defeated McClure and the latter beat Fields. Then where does his claim come from? I have just returned from New Orleans La., where I was to have met Leo Johnson, the New York lightweight, whom Lou Goldmen has under his management. This Leo Johnson is a big favorite there on account of his ten round battle with Johnny Love. While he lost the decision he deserves credit for his ability to stay the limit with the experienced Love. Then, too, we must not overlook the fact that this same Johnson defeated Johnny Dundee, the Italian, who causes so much fear among such lightweights as Aszeda, White, and Freddie Welsh. This boy has met one champion and that was Abe Attel, some time ago, whom he was defeated by in 5 rounds at New York. I went down there full of confidence and in hope that I would best this lad. Though a bit ill I expected that I would have easily recuperated before the date of the scrap by training hard, but I found it different with that hot weather. I felt worse as the time would progress, then hurt my left hand down there and was forced to call off this great show. Mr. Goldman was somewhat disappointed over the outcome of this would-be attraction, but I was in no position to carry on plans. I am not at myself now and don't know how long I am to remain this way, but my physician advises me to rest for ten days anyway before I undertake the hard grind of training, then I hope to hear from the following scrappers: Field, Bess, Johnson, Preston Brown, Bill McClure and Kid Sylvester or any other feather or lightweight in the world. They have a champion in New Orleans in young Joe Gans. This boy has shown wonderful in bouts with Bubble Robinson, Leo Johnson, Louie Young and a number of other good boys. I am going to prove just who is king among these boys as soon as I am well. Then I am sure to check the hopes of Leo Johnson before many moons. I am out for honors and will prove my superiority if I can ever get Leo in the ring. The South Side Athletic Club of Streator, will probably stage the mill if Lou Goldman will consider a $200.00 guarantee with two round trip tickets, as I expect to have Nate Lewis get in touch with them in a few days. I must be sure I am right first as it certainly means a big loss to me. Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I am, respectfully, YOUNG GEO. DIXON,
Colored Featherweight Champion.

EXHIBITION GAMES TO BE PLAYED AT WASHINGTON PARK, CHICAGO, ILL.

The exhibition games to be pleayed at Washington Park, Chivago, are as follows:

INDIANS vs. CHICAGO CUBS.
(First Team)
April 1
April 2
April 3
April 4
April 5
INDIANS vs. CLEVELAND NAPS
(First Team)
April 6
April 7
INDIANS vs. BOSTON RED SOX
(First Team)
April 8
April 9
INDIANS vs. DETROIT TIGERS
(First Team)
April 11
April 12

Regular season opens on Tuesday, April 14, with the Cleveland American Asociation Team.

JACK WATTS VISITS THE FREEMAN OFFICE

Says Prof. Jack Curley is Greatest Promoter in the World.

Jack Watts, the well known welterweight champion, visited the Freeman office Wednesday and was in a happy mood over his recent defeat of Jack Cooper, at Terre Haute, Ind., when he put out Cooper in the fifth round by a right cross to the point of the jaw. In speaking of the fight The Terre Haute Star said: "In the fifth round Cooper came rushing at him, but instead of covering this time he sent a straight right cross to the head and Cooper fell to the floor."

In speaking of the condition of the fighting game in general, Mr. Watts said: "I consider Young Joe Gans the lightweight champion of the world. Prof. Jack Curry, I think, is the most famous fight promoter of today, and for shrewdness and squareness he cannot be beat, for he knows no color when it comes to a scientific man of the squared circle. It is planned by Mr. Curley to have me meet Jack Blackburn at Las Vegas, New Mexico, July 4. I also wish to state that I hope to have Mr. Elwood C. Knox, manager of The Freeman, become my manager as he is a follower of the game and knows it in all its peculiar lines."

SPORTING NEWS.

GENEVA, OHIO.

The most of the boys have returned from training camp at Palm Beach, Fla.-----The Hotel Breakers won the championship of winter league down there. In addition to Edward Gans of the Lincoln Giants, whom Andrew Foster signed to take on his western coast trip, there were also Francis, third baseman, Wade, pitcher; Lloyd, short stop.-----A new management for the fast Lincoln Giants team has had the team incorporated, and has a lease on the grounds at 136th st., New York. New manager's name is Keenan.-----Received news tonight that old management of Lincoln are deciding to run opposition to new management of Lincoln.-----A young colored pitcher from Washington, D. C., by the name of Johnson, has reported to Schenectady for duty, and Wickware, a prominent pitcher, formerly with Chicago American Giants, has also reported.

HOWARD DREW COLORED SPRINT CHAMPION.

Shines in Classroom As Well As On Cinder Path.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—That Howard Drew, the local sprinter, is more than making good in the West there is little doubt. In a letter received here the negro flyer gives his own views on his success. He claims California is wonderful and the people out there "fine." But what pleases the Springfield lad most is not the fact that his feats in running are the talk of his section, but that his average in his studies is the talk of the University of Southern California. In a recent report of his studies, Drew received "A" in every subject and was highly commended by the president for his excellent work—"A" is excellent. All the students in the college were also pleased, and consider him a wizard.

Of course Drew was immensely proud of his classroom showing. According to his letter he seems more pleased too, by starring in his studies than in track athletics. He also seemed to take great pleasure in announcing that since he has been there he has spoken before the students of two high schools, each having a daily attendance averaging 2,200.

Concerning his recent accomplishment of equalling the world's record in the 220-yard dash, Drew said he is certain he could have broken the record, as at the time he had no idea how fast he was going, and thus did not exert himself, but that if he had known that he was so near the record he would have extended himself and tried to better the mark.

Drew is coming East April 20th to take part in the relay carnival at Philadelphia, and expects to visit Springfield for a few days. He said he would like to meet Alvah Meyer in a race, if possible, but there is not much chance of such a contest just yet.

ERNEST BRUCE.

Champion of United States Army.

Earnest Bruce who holds the title as premier 160 pound fighter in army circles and who was defeated twice in his career once by Nat Dewey and once by Bat Johnson, will give an exhibition at Lincoln, Theatre, Friday night, the 22th of March, with John Dancer as sparring partner. Mr. Bruce is decidedly clever and has had phenomenal success since joining the professional ranks, having won his last seven fights by the knock out route. His hardest fight being his fifteen round battle with

Jeff Clark, winning by the knock out route. He is reputed to have a punch in either hand and has beat such men as Ted Williams, Battling Pete, Cyclone Thompson, Bob Armstrong, and others. He was born in Henderson, Ky., twenty-five years ago, and being in the best of condition at all times he challenges any 160 pound man in these middle states for a purse or will give a backing for a five hundred dollar side bet. He left for St. Louis this morning but will return Thursday. Mr. Bruce to all appearances is a comer and seems very anxious to get to meet some of the boys which is a desire we expect to see granted soon.
—Sidney Carter.

THE FRENCH CHAMPION GOES DOWN BEFORE JEANETTE—A HOTLY CONTESTED SCRAP.

PARIS.—In a fifteen-round bout March 21st, Joe Jeannette, the American heavyweight pugilist, won the decision over Georges Carpentier, the French champion on points. Jeannette carried the fight to his opponent throughout and piled up a good lead in the opening rounds, which were marked by almost continuous infighting. Carpentier met the negro's rushes cleverly and put up a splendid defensive fight. He had a shade the better of several rounds, but could not overcome the lead of the American, whose heavy punches in the fierce rallies at close quarters staggered the French champion more than once. Jeannette outweighed the Frenchman slightly and was the more aggressive. An unusually large crowd cheered the efforts of Carpentier, who is the idol of the French sporting public, and great disappointment was shown over his defeat.

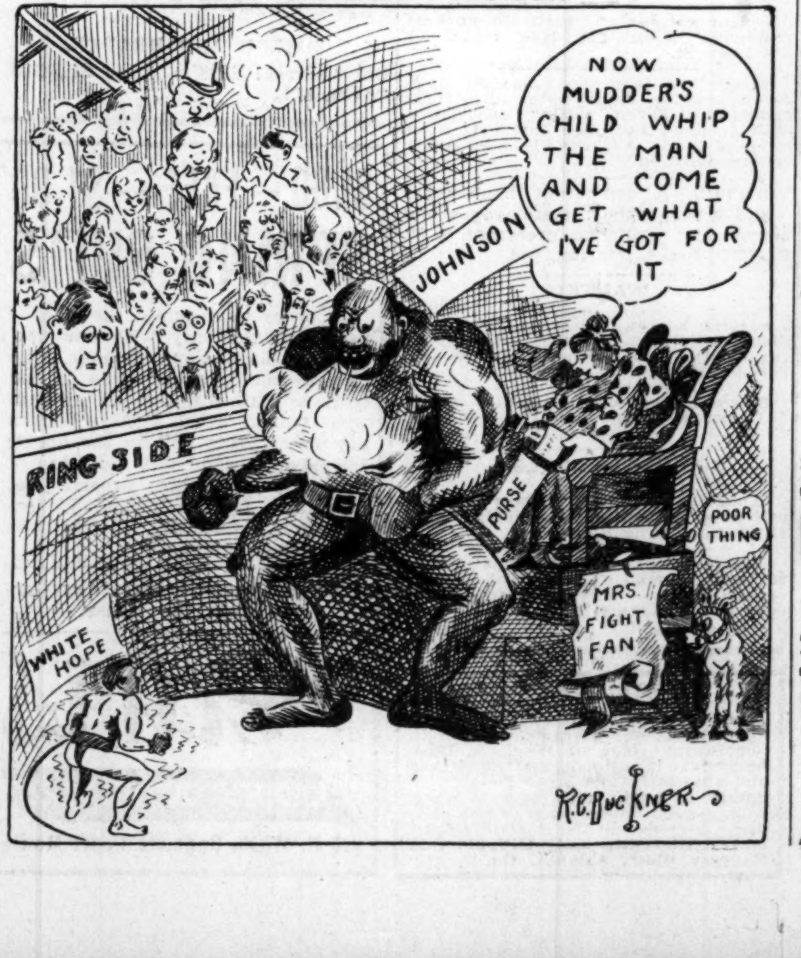
TRIS SPEAKER, THE HIGHEST SALARIED PLAYER—WILL DRAW $18,000 PER ANNUM.

The great star of the Boston American club is now the highest-priced baseball player ever known to the history of the game. If all reports are true, and they have not been denied by the owners of the club, Speaker has signed a contract for $18,000 a year for two years. He was met by John L. Lannin, president of the club, when he got back from his trip around the world with the Giants and White Sox combination and the official didn't leave him till his name was placed on a contract.

According to the story published Lannin took the centerfielder to dinner and talked to him about his salary. They made no headway till Lannin mentioned $18,000 as the figure. Thereupon Speaker very quickly signed. This is one of the indications that the big league magnates are not taking the Federal league as such a joke as they have pretended. Should the Federal league fail during the coming summer, the players of the regular big league clubs will have to thank it for boosting many salaries.

It was thought that Ty Cobb, who was believed to have signed a contract last year calling for a salary of $12,000, was the highest-priced ball player. This year it is understood the owners of the Washington Senators must pay Pitcher Johnson $12,000. Christy Mathewson of New York has just signed a new contract, and it is the belief that he must have been given a very high salary. The Federal league was after him and had made him an offer. Johnny Evers, deposed manager of the Cubs, was taken over by Jim Gaffney, owner of the Boston National League club, at a salary of $10,000 for four years and a bonus of $20,000.

THE FADED ROSE.



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SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL BASEBALL MANAGERS AND PLAYERS.

We want every manager and baseball player to write in this office the address and name of their club, or if they have not been assigned to any club, write any way, at once. It will be of much importance for you to do so.

BASE BALL DIRECTORY.

Managers Can Arrange Games Through This Medium.

The Freeman wants the names of managers of all independent teams, white and colored, and will carry same in the above directory for the coming season for $1.00.

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STEPHENVILLE, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Good services at all churches Sunday.-----The I. W. W. Club met with Mrs. Jennie E. Civils last Wednesday. A two course luncheon was served.-----A great revival is on at the St. John Baptist church. Rev. Arthur, of Wichita Falls is in charge.-----Mr. W. D. Patterson and Mrs. C. E. T. Graves are readers for the Freeman.-----See Jesse J. Douglass for The Freeman, or get a copy at Messrs. Saddler's & Phillips "Elite Cafe."

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The Ayres Bulletin

Sample Towels!

An odd lot of plain and fancy huck towels — samples — of which there are not more than four of a kind, often only one. Some have hemstitched ends, others scalloped and not a few have embroidered designs. Regularly they sell from 50c to $2.00. Now they are marked from 38c to 98c.

Soiled Linen Pieces

Counterpieces, luncheon cloths and scarfs—some Madeira embroidered, a small number German embroidered in red and blue, many princess and Cluny lace trimmed. The original pricings on these linen pieces were from 98c to $20, now one-fourth less —Second floor.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

Send in personals or writeups of social affairs of yourself and friends. It is free. Drop it on a postcard. Can't you afford to spend a penny on your friends?

CITY AND VICINITY.

Mr. J. H. Smiley, of Louisville, Ky., is in the city doing Christian work.

Mrs. Carrie Crump has been sick the last week at her home, 809 N. Senate ave.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Flanner Guild is rehearsing a playlet that will be given soon.

The Friends Club will hold its regular meeting with Mrs. Thomas Crawford, 913 Paca st.

The Needle Craft Club will give a candy pulling Wednesday, April 1, at 811 N. California st.

The Idle Hour Needle Club will be entertained Tuesday evening by Mrs. Pratt in Geisendorff st.

The Needle Craft Club will hold its regular meeting with Mrs. Carrie Hampton, 218 W. Thirteenth st.

The Elizabeth Carter Council will hold its next meeting with Mrs. Janes Hodge at her home, 1123 N. West st.

Miss Nellie Prentiss, of Chicago, entertained Mr. Floyd Samuels, of St. Louis, Mo., at a six o'clock dinner last Sunday.

Mr. S. J. Evans, of Chicago, passed through this city and was a caller at The Freeman office.

Miss Fannie Ramie, teacher in the public schools of Louisville, Ky., is spending a week with Miss Flora Carter in Fayette st.

Rev. P. T. Gorman, the new pastor at Simpson Chapel, preached to large audiences morning and evening.

Mr. Al Moore, a reader and substantial patron of the Freeman, is visiting in Champaign, Ill., this week.

The Rev. M. S. Johnson came home from conference in ill health and is confined to his home in Fayette st.

Mr. Henry Butler left Tuesday for a short vacation at Culver, Ind., to be the guest of his friend, Mr. Hollis Rawlins.

The Bachelors held their regular assembly last Thursday evening at K. of P. hall. A large number of friends were in attendance.

The Mary Campbell Mite Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Florence Bennett, Wednesday, at her home, 704 W. Thirteenth st.

The Thurman W. C. T. U. met Friday with Mrs. M. E. Thomas, at her home, 845 Chicago st. The president, Mrs. S. B. Henderson, presided.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Cleage have moved into their new home, 828 Camp st. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cleage will live with them temporarily.

Madame C. J. Walker will give a musical in honor of her daughter, Miss Lelia, April 17th, at the Pythian Hall. Her daughter is of New York City.

Mrs. Mary Darneal became sick suddenly last Tuesday at the night school.

Dr. J. H. Ward recently moved his family into his new apartments, 334½ Indiana ave.

Mr. C. I. Taylor, accompanied by his wife, arrived in the city last Tuesday from West Baden. Mr. Taylor is part owner and the new manager of the A. B. C. baseball club.

Mrs. Elwood Knox is home from Chicago, having been called there to attend Miss Alice Harvey, who is very ill. Miss Harvey is a sister of the deceased, Mrs. Geo. L. Knox.

Mrs. Stella Hatch was hostess to the Frau Frau Club Wednesday afternoon at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. M. C. Willis, in N. California st. The members were entertained at whist.

The Research Club was the guest of Mrs. Mary T. Davis, Thursday afternoon, at her home, 1708 Martindale ave. Mrs. Alice Puryear read a paper. Mrs. Ida Sweeney discussed current topics.

Revival services at Bethel church will begin April 5 with the Rev. R. A. Adams, of Kansas City, in charge. The Rev. Mr. Roberts has organized a gospel choir of fifty to have charge of the singing.

The Rev. F. Ecter is in charge of the services at Mt. Olivet Baptist church in the absence of the Rev. Charles Lewis, who is convalescing from pneumonia fever at his home in Highland Place.

The Bazar to be given by the Mothers' club, of No. 3 Kindergarten at the Kindergarten, 935 W. Walnut St., April 13th and 14th. The public is cordially invited. Essie Hodge, pres.; Jane Williams, secy.

Rev. Dr. G. R. Bryant, superintendent in the M. E. church, has gone to Cincinnati to attend a meeting of the church superintendents. He will go from there to Jeffersonville to hold his quarterly conference meeting.

The Brotherhood of the Witherspoon Presbyterian church gave a congregational social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Tasch, Tuesday evening. The church is conducting an every-member canvass, which will close this week.

The Browning Club last Saturday evening met with G. L. Hayes. The subject for discussion was "Gustavus Adolphus." William E. Grubbs, Mrs. Mary Cable, Mrs. Eva Stokes and Miss Ella Croker took part in the program.

Among the teachers who are attending the teachers' association are Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis, Shelbyville; Miss Mary Todd, Bloomington; Miss Alice Stewart, Evansville; T. C. Johnson, Bloomington; Miss Bessie Evans, Franklin.

The Woman's Improvement Club met Thursday evening with Mrs. Ada Harris, 1120 Earhart st. The topic for discussion will be "True and False Economy in the Home," by Mrs. Ellen Posey. Mrs. Emma Lott will discuss current topics.

The benefit performance given at the Senate Avenue theater by Mrs. Daisy R. Welsh, for her department of the fair for the Lincoln hospital was a success. The total receipts were $48.50, of which $27.30 has been turned over to Mrs. Welsh.

The country dinner given by the Thursday Coterie last Thursday evening, was a success. The receipts will be applied on the assessment for the state federation. The club will hold its next meeting with the president, Mrs. Harris, 918 Redmond st.

Mrs. Hanna Irvin Siegler died last Saturday at the home of her parents in Camp st. A widower and three brothers also survive. Funeral service was held at the home Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock by the Rev. H. L. Herod. The body was taken to Harrodsburg, Ky., for burial.

The Rev. H. A. Foreman, formerly pastor of Simpson chapel, was removed to Lexington, Ky., at the recent conference which convened at Owensboro, Ky. The Rev. P. T. Gorham has been sent to Simpson chapel. He was formerly a presiding elder in the Lexington district.

Mme. C. J. Walker noted hair culturist, of Indianapolis, Ind., while down at Tuskegee a few weeks ago, gave scholarship to five students, who are in training, to take charge of an industrial school in West Pondoland, South Africa, which will be built and maintained by Madame Walker.

Among the teachers who will spend their vacation out of the city are: Flora Harper, at Frankfort; Mrs. Louise Royal, at Chicago; Ella Croker, at Richmond; Nora Roberts, at Kokomo; Georgia Fields, at Chicago; Alice Hershaw, at Chicago; M. L. Stevenson, at Mason City, Ia.; Mrs. Lena Kirk Porter, at Bloomington.

Noble Sissle was heard in a musical entertainment at Simpson chapel last Thursday evening under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the church. Mr. Sissle was assisted by Miss Mayme Clay, dramatic reader. Miss Ruth Sissle was accompanist.

Miss Jessie C. Willis and Mrs. Stella Hatch, teachers in the public schools of this city, gave a surprise reception Tuesday in honor of the fortieth wedding anniversary of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. C. Willis, at the home of the later in N. California st. One hundred and fifty guests were present.

The Woman's Club will meet Monday with Mrs. Belle Davis in N. West st. The club extends an invitation to the general public to attend the open meeting Tuesday evening, April 14, at Second Christian church, at which time the Rev. Joshua Stansfield will address the meeting. Mrs. Minnie Scott is president of the club.

Mrs. Lillian Jones Brown and Mrs. Hazel Hart Hendricks will give a concert at Columbus, O., Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Colored Men's Branch of the Y. M. C. A. of that city. Mrs. Brown will give an interpretation of "The World and His Wife." Mrs. Hendricks will give a number of musical monologues and will accompany Mrs. Brown in several selections.

The colored men's branch of the Y. M. C. A. will hold three public meetings in the auditorium of the building, March 29, April 12 and April 26. Judge Charles J. Orbison, of superior court, will speak Sunday on "The Child's Rights." Lawrence Chenault will sing. The winter term of the night school closes Friday evening. The spring term will open Monday, April 6. A class has been started in bookkeeping and business methods. It is taught by Lionel Artis.

ANNUAL FAIR AND CARNIVAL.

Given by the Woman's Council for Benefit of Lincoln Hospital.

First annual fair and carnival given by the Woman's Council for the benefit of Lincoln Hospital. Special features: Contest for Queen; contest for prizes; raffling of $100.00 crotcheted quilt, etc.

First night—Children's night, with a cake and pie-baking contest.

Second night—Competitive drill by Uniform Rank K. of P.

Third night—Aesthetic dances, crowning of Queen and awarding of prizes.

Single admission, 15c; season ticket, 25c. Children under 12 years accompanied by parents, free.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Boys Sunday Meetings Close Next Sunday—Judge Newton Taylor Will Speak.

Judge Chas. J. Orbison, of the superior court No. 1, addressed this year's first public meeting Sunday on the subject, "The Child's Rights." This was the fifth time Mr. Orbison has appeared under the auspices of the association and the large audience which greeted him Sunday attests to his growing popularity. In the course of his remarks he said: "Every child has infinite potentialities for good or bad and it remains with you fathers and mothers to determine by giving or denying him the rights to life, liberty and the pursuits of happiness, whether he will flourish 'like a tree planted by the rivers of water' or perish 'like the chaff which the wind driveth away.'" Mr. Lawrence Chenault was soloist for the occasion. As the subject for discussion was children and their rights an appropriate and unique feature on the program was the appearance on the floor of the junior gymnasium class, who performed creditably several marching evolutions and ended with maze running. Their performance was heartily applauded.

Sunday, April 5th, marks the close of the boys' Sunday meetings and Mr. J. F. Johnson, boys' work secretary, has been fortunate enough to secure Judge Newton N. Taylor of the Juvenile court to address the meeting. He will use as a subject "The Successful Life." Mr. Bernard Pritchett, a very promising young baritone soloist, will sing "Rose in the Bud." Other special numbers will appear on the program.

The various clubs and classes of educational department will have a general meeting and rally Monday evening at which the following program will be rendered: Selections by the Y. M. C. A. quartet; addresses, by Mr. W. H. Galloway on "Efficiency," by Mr. W. R. Valentine, on "The Employe's Problem," by Mr. W. H. Clemons, head porter at Blocks department store, on "Marks of a Good Employe," and by Dr. W. E. Brown, on "The Essentials in the Efficiency of Colored Employes." All men are invited. The program commences at 8:30.

Mr. J. Wesley Jones has been elected director of the band for the ensuing year and Monday night an installation and banquet will be held in the educational parlors.

Indications point to a large enrollment in the spring course classes, which will open Monday evening, April 6, 1914. Many would do well to take advantage of the short practical courses in penmanship, spelling, business arithmetic and bookkeeping.

The automobile school which closes this month has enjoyed a very prosperous year, having had an enrollment of 18.

The physical department has already begun arrangements for the first annual outdoor field and track meet to be held under the auspices of the association about the third Saturday in May. It is hoped to make this event worthy of the name and to give the colored young men and boys of this section of the country an opportunity to display their prowess on the cinder path and in the field.

Saturday night the Blues, by defeating the Blacks, won the championship of the basketball league and will be presented with the association basketball monogram Wednesday evening. Those who will be eligible and will receive the letters are: Capt. H. Willis, Mitchell Gilmer, Henry Butler, Wm. Thomas and Lawson Slaughter. The teams finished as follows:

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Blue	5	1	.830
Black	4	2	.670
Reds	2	4	.330
Grays	1	5	.170

JUDGE CHARLES J. ORBINSON SPEAKS AT THE BIG MEETING.

City's Noted Orator Speaks on Child's Rights—Mixed Crowd of Over Three Hundred Colored Men and Women Gather to Hear the Great Plea for the Future Generation at the Y. M. C. A. Last Sunday.

(By Noble Sissle.)

It has often been said that Abraham Lincoln was not a graceful orator, but that his gestures though awkward, were so filled with inspiration that those in his presence were all but raised from their seats. Last Sunday those who were fortunate to hear the distinguished Judge Orbison were constantly giving evidence of their enthusiasm by spontaneous outburst of applause caused by his unusual posture and delivery and a marked sincerity that won for him the most strict attention of every one present. He pleaded the case as he would that of any statutory cause and the unanimous decision of the audience—his jury—was in his favor.

After telling a humorous story that led up to his commenting on the number of times he had appeared on the Y's program, he immediately plunged into his subject saying by way of introduction: "Patrick Henry when he penned the Constitution of the United States put that greatest clause in it that 'All people had the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.' Just as the three million of slaves were given the right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and just as the women throughout the country are demanding the right to the same, I stand at the bar of justice to plead the case of the future generation that they too may be given the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Life.

Under the subject of Life the speaker said that the parents of children had a right to give the child decent sanitary surroundings to live in. Those who were in position to should provide a place for the child to play that will be healthful. "Then, too," the speaker said, "there are more children that die from neglect and unsanitary conditions that breed germs than from any other cause."

Liberty.

"Give the child liberty. Don't bind him with ignorance and disease. Every parent owes it to the child to bring it in the world a healthy child and free from the many diseases that come from ignorance on the parent's part. Every father should be a pal of his son and every mother should be a chum of her daughters. The child has the right to know the story of life and it is the right of the parent to step by step lead the boy and girl into the beautiful story of life not to leave him or her to find it out in the cruel school of the world, and then go through life bound by blind blunderings the outcome of worldly advice. Give the child Liberty."

Pursuit of Happiness.

"There is but one way to the road of happiness and that is God's way. Teach the child that God is real, that the life of Christ was the right life. Give them religious advice and live a pure life before them." In conclusion the natural born orator said that the child's eyes should be kept on the road of Everlasting Life and to be taught to look forward to a happy destiny. In the time of Rome's luxury there once came a queen to visit the Matron of Rome, and this queen showed all of her beautiful jewels to the Matron and then she asked to see the beautiful jewels of the Matron's, who, excusing herself, went out of the room only to return with her arms around two beautiful children. "These are my jewels," the Matron of that great Empire said. Ladies and gentlemen the children are the jewels of the world.

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A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

North and Blackford Streets.

On last Sunday, March 29th, Bishop Blackwell rendered a noble sermon and more dollar money was collected than ever before in the history of the church.

Mr. J. H. Smiley and Rev. D. L. Irvin are drawing great crowds and having a great revival and many souls are being saved. Sunday will be Palm Sunday. Pastor will speak at 11 o'clock.

A sectional meeting at 3 p. m. conducted by Mr. Smiley and Rev. Rowan.

Christian Endeavor quiet hour from 6 to 7 p. m.

Rev. Mr. Irvin will speak at night.

ARNOLD BRYANT WINS FIRST.

Thomas Taylor, Jr., Memorial Celebrated with Swimming Contest.

The first annual Thomas Taylor, Jr., memorial celebration was held last Saturday morning at the Y. M. C. A. Thomas was the son of Thomas Taylor, Sr., general secretary. Young Taylor died not long ago. He was a member of the boys' department of the association and well thought of by both the boys and the men.

The memorial feature was a swimming contest by the boys under the direction of Physical Director DeFrantz. Arnold Bryant on receiving the most points, was declared winner of the contest. Bryant won 10 points. James Nicholson and Forest Lloyd divided honors for second place, both winning 9 points. Leander Overton and Horsley were tie for third place with 6 points each. The following are the events and point winners in their respective order: 25 yards, Horsley, Nicholson, Lloyd, Overton; dive for distance, Bryant, Lloyd, Overton, Nicholson; 50 yards, Nicholson, Horsley, Lloyd, Overton; dive weight bringing to shore, Bryant, Lloyd, Overton, Horsley.

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OPENS NEW STORE FOR LADIES.

The Paris, Located in East Washington Street.

There has just been opened at 245 E. Washington street, a new ladies' store called The Paris. This store has a brand new line of all the late styles in ladies' wearing apparel including coats, suits, skirts, shirtwaists, dresses and muslin underwear. The management is very anxious to please and solicits the colored patronage. As a special inducement to readers of The Freeman of the Paris advertisement, which is elsewhere on this page, this advertisement will be, if presented at any time next week, worth $1 on any suit in the house. This is done in order to get acquainted with the colored trade of the city.

In conclusion we wish to say that if the colored trade of this city and readers of The Freeman patronize this store we feel confident that they will be treated fair and square. It gives us great pleasure to recommend The Paris, 245 E. Washington street to our readers.

THERE'S MONEY IN IT.

Many people have made goodly sums of money on raising bees. Bee raising is not only a money making undertaking, but it also affords one much pleasure. Spring has now peeped over the horizon and made its bow bringing with it many opportunities for those to make money during their spare time. Bee raising is one. Right in your yard or out in your orchard or farm there awaits an opportunity for you to enter the bee raising field. You can make it the means of your livelihood or you can devote your spare time to the business. There's money in it either way.

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BUSINESS MEN WIN SILVER CUP.

They Defeat the Senior in the Final Game, 22 to 3.

With a win for each team, the Business Men and Seniors got together on Wednesday night at the Y. M. C. A. for the final game in the Charles Carr Silver Cup series, and when the smoke of battle had cleared away the Business men had won, 22 to 3. The features were "Steel Arm" Taylor's pitching and the hitting of "Babe" Heron. C. I. Taylor, of the A. B. C. ball team, accompanied by his wife, enjoyed the game.

A MUSICAL CONCERT.

There will be a musical concert given at Blackford Street church, Jones Tabernacle, Tuesday evening, April 7, 1914, under the auspices of the Research club. The boys' club orchestra of North Indianapolis, assisted by Henry C. Millikin, violinist; Mrs. W. E. Grubbs, soloist, and the Jones quartet.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Harry Williams of 906 West Wayne avenue was called to Steubenville, on account of the illness of her mother.----Louisa Ewards Court No. 30 of Calantha will give a musical entertainment and supper in Forester hall, 133 West Fed. street, Wednesday evening, April 8. All welcome.----Miss Wilma Gryder has la grippe.----Mrs. Charles Jackson was on the sick list last week.----Marie Hann of Sharon is able to be around again.----Mrs. Emma Paynter has returned home after a four weeks' visit with friends in Monongahela and Beaver Falls, Pa.----The K. of P. annual service was held at the Third Baptist church Sunday at 2 p. m. The following program was rendered: Selection by choir; prayer by the prelate, Mathews Logan; remarks, Gans Williams, master of ceremonies; welcome address, Benjamin Farnan, C. C. of lodge; remarks by Mrs. Mattie Harper; paper, Mrs. Jennie Simmons, worthy counsellor of Louisa Edwards Court; remarks, Mrs. Hanna Boggners; paper, Mrs. Julia Williams, W. C. of Counsulla Stewart's Court No. 53; remarks, Mrs. William Simms, district deputy. Mrs. Elsie Williams spoke of the order also J. A. Jones. Rev. W. O. Harper, pastor of the church preached the sermon which was one of the best that has been preached to the order for some time and the attendance was very large.----Pleasant, who is in hospital, is doing nicely at this writing.----Logan Lodge K. of P. will meet in regular session Thursday evening and all members are asked to be present.

THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICES.

By the Courts of Calantha, Uniform Rank and Various Lodges of K. of P.

(By Silas C. Elliott.)

To The Freeman.

AUGUSTA, Ga.—The annual thanksgiving services by the Courts of Calanthe, Uniform Rank and various lodges of this city were held at the Walker Baptist Institute Sunday, March 29th. The lodges were assembled at Castle hall on Campbell street and at 2 o'clock the parade was formed by Col. L. E. Mosley, who acted as marshal of the day and proceeded to the school where the services were to be held. The parade, headed by the famous Second Regiment Band, marched up Gwinnett street to 12th street, out 12th to Anderson avenue and up Anderson to the school. A very impressive sermon was preached by Rev. Nabrit, pastor of Springfield church and all went away feeling benefited after listening to this excellent music, enlightening talks by various members and the excellent sermon by the able speaker, Dr. Nabrit.----Owing to the increasing demand for The Freeman, I have been compelled to establish headquarters in two other parts of the city. The Freeman can now be found at 412 Campbell street, W. F. Kaigler's barber shop and at 1418 Jones street, Ridgedill and Ridgedill, dressmakers.----On Tuesday, April 7th, the Independent Club will give a dance at the Dugas hall. Music by the Second Regiment Band.----Captain N. P. Willis is out again after a few weeks' illness. The captain is as spry as ever.

NEWS OF CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

It is often said that men could not get along without women, but it was shown differently when Mr. Henry Young, who works at the postoffice in this city was surprised Wednesday evening on his forty-seventh birthday, secretly planned by his wife, Mrs. Young, and only men were invited to attend. About 25 or 30 men were there and they report having had the best time they ever had. They say that Mrs. Young served them to the best of eating and drinks; also cigars. Many toasts were said and speeches on business. Mr. W. Crawford was the main spokesman, followed by Mr. A. Ellins, Mr. H. Leak, etc. There was also good music furnished by Miss L. Young's orchestra, violin accompanied by the piano, played several selections and old-time pieces which moved the men's feet while sitting in their seats, smoking their cigars and shouting and laughing and saying that puts us back to where we once done it; yes, another would say even Mr. Oliver Patrick, who never danced, could not keep his feet from moving when the violin touched some of the old-time selections. Mr. Young was so overjoyed that he could not keep his seat and he got up and walked to the center of the floor. He did not dance but looked pleased and bobbed up and down. At a late hour they thanked Mrs. Young and shook hands with her baby and departed for their homes filled with joy. So the women were left out, but they say they will get even some time.----Mr. and Mrs. T. Dilashman of Walnut Hill were visitors in Centralia last Saturday.----A baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Burris and Mr. James Cannon are on the sick list.----Mrs. T. Calaway visited friends at Mt. Vernon, Ill., last Saturday and Sunday.----Miss Ethel Bunch is on the sick list.

BRUNSWICK, GA.

(Praylor Keeth.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Joe Hinter passed away last Saturday. Was carried over last Sunday to St. Simons. A good crowd escorted the body over. Among those who went were Messrs. Phoenix, Burrough, H. Pinkney, Hinter Brothers, Rev. Keith, Deacon Johnson, O. Wheller and others. ---- The president and secretary of the Lily White Association, dined together at the president's domicile, 1607 Amhurst street.

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